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Mattapoisett Eyes Solar Technology

By Laura Pedulli

In an effort to save money and boost energy independence, Mattapoisett Town Administrator Michael Gagne is hard at work promoting a green agenda. Recent efforts of Mr. Gagne include the possible establishment of a town agricultural commission to promote local food production and the launch of the first Tri-Town farmers market coming to Old Rochester Regional this harvest season. His latest initiative: solar power.

Specifically, Mr. Gagne and other town officials are seeking to install solar panels on the roofs of Old Hammondtown School and Old Rochester Regional Junior High and High Schools, as well as on the 5.6 acres of land at the former Tinkham Hill Landfill. The town administrator currently is working with Borrego Solar Systems to assess possible solar systems on municipal buildings. In a preliminary report, Borrego said a 75 Kilowatt system at Old Hammondtown School could produce an annual electricity production of 90,000 Kilowatt-hours and a 680 Kilowatt system at ORR could produce 850,000 Kilowatt-hours per year. Translation: major cost savings.

After a difficult budget season for area schools, a reduced energy bill is a very attractive prospect.

Above: *At a recent Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen meeting, Town Administrator Michael Gagne informed the Board that there has been a serious problem with litter at the skate park located behind the police station, despite the conveniently placed trash receptacles. If this problem continues throughout April, the Board has agreed to close the park entirely by May. Photo by Anne O'Brien-Kakley.*

On the Cover: *Happy Earth Day! This issue is a celebration of all things green and sustainable. There are lots of environmental efforts going on in the Tri-Town lately, including an upcoming ORR Tri-Town farmers' market, a new community garden in Mattapoisett, and talk of solar panels at Old Hammondtown School. Make sure you read this issue cover to cover and then recycle it!*

At an April 15 school meeting, Mr. Gagne presented his proposal to the ORR District School Committee, where School Business Administrator Kathleen Isernio stated that the junior high and high schools spend approximately $400,000 on electricity costs each year. Mr. Gagne said that a 30 to 40 percent electricity savings is a reasonable prediction under the new solar system, which represents an additional $120,000 to $160,000 per year.

"We are always looking for ways to bring savings to the budget," Superintendent Douglas White said at the meeting, voicing his support for solar technology.

Mr. Gagne recognizes, however, that not all buildings are suitable for solar technology. For example, Center School in Mattapoisett was ruled out largely due to the "village atmosphere" with heavy shade, said the town administrator. He said the ORR schools, Old Hammondtown and the former landfill at Tinkham Hill presented the greatest opportunity for solar power due to their unobstructed buildings and spaces. Also, he said he is lumping all three locations into one project for a more efficient installation and subsequent cost savings.

Although Borrego completed the initial assessment, the town currently is seeking bids from other companies for the solar projects. This week, Mr. Gagne and his team are submitting requests for qualifications to find experienced contractors available for the project. The town then will have a narrowed pool of applicants that will submit their project bids for the town's review. After a thorough vetting process, the town will choose

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a company based on their prices and experience. "The process moves fairly quickly," Mr. Gagne said.

Once a contractor is chosen, Mr. Gagne said a power purchase agreement will likely be drafted under which some of the savings go to the municipalities and schools, and other savings are funneled to the contractor. This agreement is necessary to fund the photovoltaic panels' initial installation and ongoing service needs. Once an agreement is reached, the staging and delivery of parts occur. If all moves accordingly, Mr. Gagne said he is "hopeful" the panels will be in place by the fall, or at the latest, by the end of the year.

Overall, Mr. Gagne said the solar panels would help "reduce our carbon footprint and dependence on foreign oil." He said "energy independence" is a part of the bigger picture to improve U.S. international relations and reduce global conflict.

What else is in the pipeline for Mr. Gagne? The town administrator said he recently submitted a technical review proposal to use geothermal technology to power the Town Hall, among other municipal buildings. "We are definitely going forward on that," he said.

Mattapoisett Acts on Winter Moth Threat

By Anne O'Brien-Kakley

Mattapoisett maple trees are feeling the strain of yet another winter moth infestation year, but this time, the town is taking action. Tree Warden Roland Cote recently partnered-up with arborist and tree pest expert Dave Mendell to present a concern to the selectmen. The culprit? A tiny green "looper" that is wreaking havoc on area maple trees.

At every stage, these critters are considered pests – from their infant stage when they feed on tree buds, to the Swiss cheese-stage, when they render maple trees shade-less from their incessant munching, to the final stage, when they are one-inch moths that fly in your

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The winter moth was first recorded in Nova Scotia in the 1930s, and since then has become a tree menace in Massachusetts, and other areas of the northeast and pacific northwest, including Canada. The winter moth particularly spreads in coastal regions and prefers maples, oaks and apple trees.

During the caterpillar stage, the small, bright green inchworm feeds on young buds. As the caterpillar grows and the leaves unfurl, the tree takes on a lacy effect. No longer does the maple tree provide shade – it starts to

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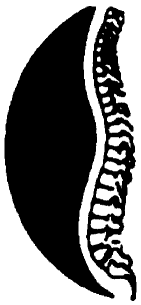

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languish with the threat of the insect, and it can no longer photosynthesize without its growth. In as few as three years, the tree can die from this tiny pest.

Mr. Cote and Mr. Mendell told the selectmen that the trees in Mattapoisett have been struggling with winter moths for the past three years, and they may start to die if action is not taken this year. Since it is most effective to treat trees while the winter moth is young, the controlled spray will take place in late April or early May.

The organic insecticide spray, which Mr. Cote describes as "a low-toxicity spray that shouldn't harm anything" is called Conserve and is derived from chrysanthemum flower extract. In a Conserve toxicity report from Dow AgroSciences, research reports virtually no harmful side effects for humans from the spray, but when it is directly applied to sick trees, it will kill the caterpillars within a couple days.

"It's a rather benign substance," said town administrator Michael Gagne, who said that the village trees are most vulnerable. "On less urbanized roads, the tree has more of a chance," he added. The trees in the village are already slightly stressed from their root-proximity to the street, which exposes them to road salt and limits their water uptake. Having the added stress of a pest like winter moths could end up killing some of the town's most charming maple trees.

Trees add to the character of a village, and some of the oldest, most distinguished maples could be at risk. Mr. Gagne cited the case of Worcester, MA, where a large portion of trees had to be removed from the Greendale section of the city because of destruction from the Asian longhorned beetle.

"It is sad," said Mr. Gagne, referring to the loss of trees. "It is not a pretty sight. Older trees give so much character to an older section of town."

The spray will likely take place during the night to reduce inconvenience to residents. At this time, there

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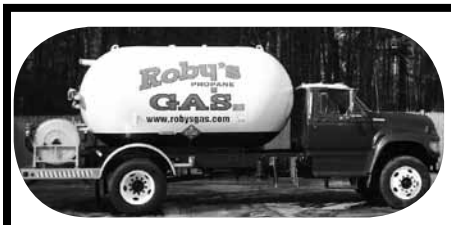

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are no special recommendations or precautions advised to the public, since the spray is considered harmless to humans. The spray process will take about 40 to 60 seconds per tree, and will be targeted towards infected trees only. Both Mr. Gagne and Mr. Cote are still not certain how many trees will be involved, but the current project is estimated to cost the town between $2,500 and $3,500.

The cost is lower than waiting for the trees to suffer and die, according to Mr. Gagne. Between police detail, materials and road closure, removal could cost as much as $1,500 per tree. For Mattapoisett, the intrinsic loss of village maples would be immeasurable.

If a resident knows of an infected tree, Mr. Cote said, "I would advise the person to call – even if it is an oak – let us know." Likewise, Mr. Gagne encourages town residents to call the selectmen office with any questions or concerns: 508-758-4100, ext. 203.

Locals Celebrate Earth Day in Service

By Laura Pedulli

Turning ideals into action, local environmentalists are heading to Nasketucket Bay Reservation this Saturday for a clean-up event in recognition of Earth Day. The event is part of Massachusetts's Department of Conservation and Recreation's Fourth Annual Park Serve Day that motivates residents to get out and clean up the state's parks.

Although Nasketucket Bay Reservation technically is not part of the state parks system, Mattapoisett Land Trust President Gary P. Johnson said that the trust decided to focus on cleaning an area in Mattapoisett's own backyard. In the past, locals would travel out-of-town to clean an official state park.

"It will be nice for people to go down and experience [Nasketucket Bay Reservation]," said Mr. Johnson, who remarked that many town residents are

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not even aware of the park's existence. Mr. Johnson predicts that participants will enjoy Nasketucket's special attributes as they collect litter along the shoreline. For example, he said that the wildflowers are starting to bloom and frog and salamander eggs are thriving in the reservation's vernal pools.

Mr. Johnson encourages families to join in the activity, noting that the kids will benefit from a morning out in nature.

As a father of a seven year old and a five year old, Mattapoisett Land Trust volunteer Peter Mello vouches for nature's positive influence on children. He said that he

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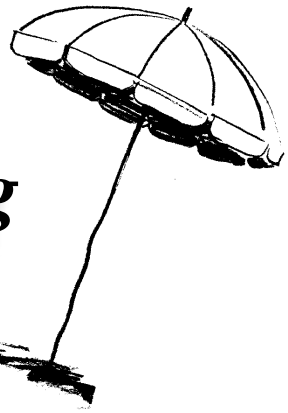

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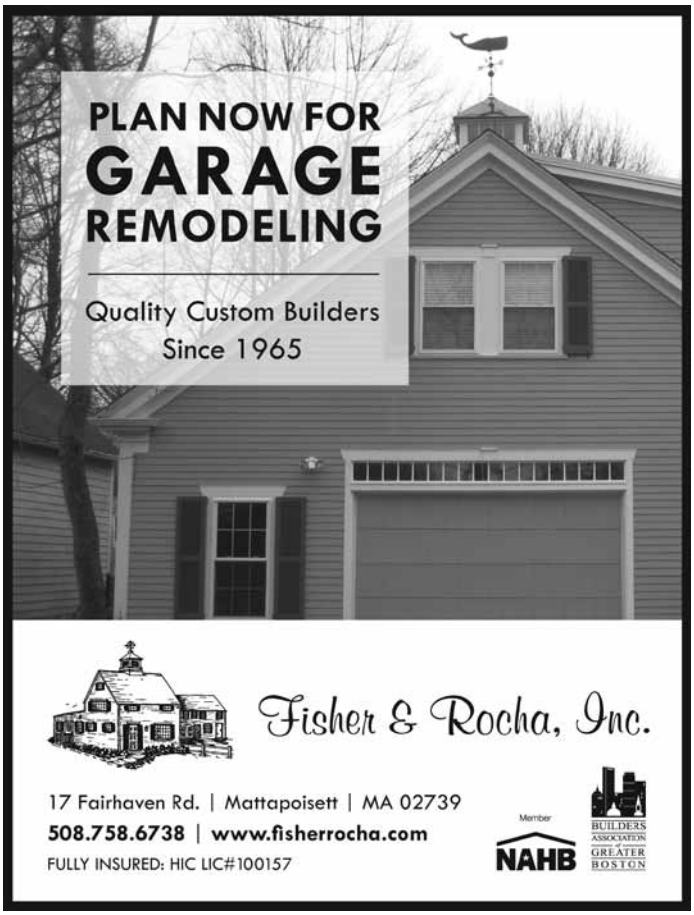

and his wife Jenny have brought their children to many Land Trust events since before they could walk. "We want them to grow up with respect for the community and green spaces," he said. Mr. Mello recalled a recent trip with his family involving a vernal pool certification exercise that protects the water pools from development. "The kids just loved it," he said.

Mr. Johnson hopes nature lovers like Mr. Mello and his family will come out for the spring-cleaning event to enjoy a serene morning in one of Mattapoisett's natural gems. Those interested in helping out should arrive at the reservation's parking lot at 9:00 am on April 24 with gloves and bags for collecting litter. Rubber boots are recommended. Most importantly, Mr. Johnson encourages participants to bring their cameras to capture the beauty of Nasketucket.

For more information call 508-758-7849 or email info@mattlandtrust.org.

Board Approves Three Special Permits, One Variance

Mattapoisett Zoning Board of Appeals

By Laura Pedulli

A meeting of the Mattapoisett Zoning Board of Appeals was called to order by Chairperson Jeffrey Chase on April 15, 2010 at 6:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Town Hall. Also present was committee members Norman Lyonnais, Marie Bacon, Mary Ann Brogan, Susan Akin, and Mattapoisett Building Inspector Andrew Bobola.

In the first hearing, applicants Thomas and Nancy Lucivero – represented by Dave Davignon of Schneider and Associates – asked the board to approve a special permit application to construct an addition to their dwelling that exceeds allowable setback requirements. The property – located at 50 Brant Beach Ave – would reduce the setback from 12.2 feet to 10.4 feet in the front with a two-foot overhang. Mr. Davignon noted that "it is a

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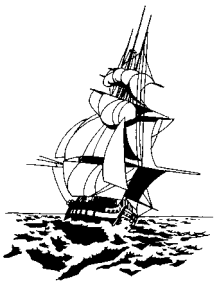

very modest proposal" that would keep the house at one story.

One abutter stated that he was not properly notified of a related Conservation Committee hearing and expressed concern that the applicant would plant trees blocking the water view. He said he had asked Mr. Lucivero to "put it in writing" that he will not plant trees, but the applicant refused. Mr. Davignon stressed that Mr. Lucivero "has no intention" of planting trees. Another neighbor at the meeting said the owner told him he would "do everything to maintain the view."

In response to the abutter's concern, Mr. Bobola

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noted that for the applicant to build trees, he would need the Conservation Committee's approval as that part of the property is in the wetlands buffer zone. Thus the board determined that the neighbor could present his concerns at that hearing if Mr. Lucivero decides to plant trees.

Shortly thereafter, the board unanimously approved the request.

The second hearing involved applicant Robert Cattley of 21 Water Street. Representing himself, Mr. Cattley requested a special permit to demolish and reconstruct a garage "built for a different era" on his property. He said the current garage encroaches on his neighbor's property as it pre-dates zoning law, thus the construction would remove all encroachment. Also, he said that the new garage would be 24 feet by 24 feet.

"[Mr. Cattley] has been talking about this for 23 years and has worked hard to gain support. I hope the board looks favorably on [the application]," commented Mr. Bobola. Neighbors who attended the hearing unanimously expressed their support for Mr. Cattley as well.

With no concerns voiced about the application, the board unanimously approved the request. "It is going to be a nice improvement," said Chairman Chase.

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Ms. Brogan inquired if the apartment could help meet the town's state-mandated affordable housing goals; Mr. Bobola offered to investigate that possibility as neither the board nor Mr. Bobola had a clear answer. Mr. Bobola did confirm that if approved, the in-law unit would require annual inspections.

With little deliberation, the board unanimously approved the request.

In the fourth and last public hearing, Christopher Jaskolka submitted a variance petition to allow the size of a maneuvering lane to be at 22 feet versus the required 28 feet for a business residence at 21 County Road. The applicant had an identical petition approved 15 months ago but failed to implement the changes by the one-year deadline.

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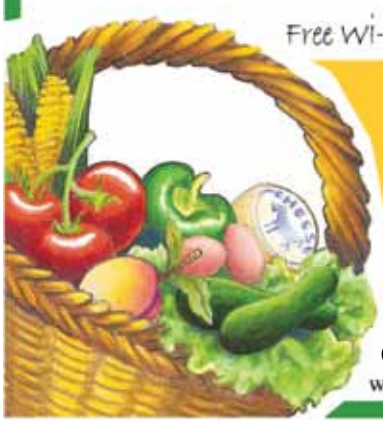

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part of the planning board in the past that established the 28-foot maneuvering lane zoning rule. Mr. Bobola noted that the Mattapoisett Free Public Library has a 22-foot maneuvering lane and that when Mr. Jaskolka's petition originally passed, it prompted some concern; however, he advised the board to approve the request.

In deliberation, Mr. Lyonnais expressed support for the variance as it would create new business and residential opportunities. However, Ms. Brogan said she took issue with the fact that Mr. Jaskolka was requesting to override for himself zoning rules that he helped draft on the board.

With the exception of Ms. Brogan, the board approved the petition.

The board voted to adjourn at 7:25 pm.

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Marion Board of Selectmen

By Anne O'Brien-Kakley

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order by Chairman Stephen Cushing on April 20, 2010 at 7:00 pm in the Marion Town House. Also in attendance were Selectmen Roger Blanchette and Jonathan Henry, Town Administrator Paul Dawson and Assistant to the Selectmen Helene Craver.

The minutes of the April 6 meeting were approved.

In their first appointment of the evening, the Board met with David Pierce, Chairman of the Alternative Energy Committee (AEC). Mr. Pierce debriefed the Board on several matters with which the AEC has been dealing. Included in his presentation was information on the wind power data collection, taking place at Great Hill off Delano Road. Before going forward with a plan to supply town buildings with power from a commercial wind turbine, data must be collected for a full year to determine whether the site will produce enough wind energy. Great

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Hill data has been collected since last summer, and Mr. Pierce said that the location looks "very promising". "We are quite excited with the data we're collecting," he added.

One detail that AEC has been trying to iron out with legislation is whether or not the town would be able to financially benefit from the excess energy produced. "We need to guarantee the income of net metering," said Mr. Pierce.

Mr. Pierce also gave the Board an update on the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District. According to Mr. Pierce, who is a Marion representative for the district, the

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water rate increase for municipalities will be changing from one cent per 100 gallons to two cents per 100 gallons. This change comes from state legislation, which acts upon the vote of regional committee like the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District. The increase will not be felt directly by homeowners. Mr. Dawson said that this was an "assessment that the town pays… it will not be reflected in the rate payer's bill."

In a second appointment, the Board was scheduled to conduct a public hearing for a new telephone pole, but since necessary representative from NStar did not appear at the meeting, the hearing has been continued to April 27 at 7:45 pm.

In a third appointment, the Board met with Chief Lincoln Miller, who introduced the Board to Special Officer Alisha Chandler, who is scheduled to complete police academy on April 30. The Board voted to appoint Officer Chandler to a full-time position, effective April 30.

In a final appointment, the Board met with Marion Tax Collector Gary Carreiro and Susan Delahunt, Vice President of Century Bankcorp. Mr. Carreiro presented an interest in using Century Bank as a lockbox location for the processing of tax collections. He cited the change as being a "much quicker" way for the town to clear and collect all taxes, and assured that there "would be no change to how bills are collected". The service would end up costing nothing to the town, according to Mr. Carreiro, who said "in essence, we wouldn't see a bill for this." Included in the new lockbox collection would be motor vehicle excise, real estate, water and sewer and boat. The "test run" will likely take place in August with real estate taxes. Residents may find the mailing location to be different than in the past, since the processing will take place in Medford, MA. 175 cities and towns in Massachusetts currently use Century Bank for this lockbox service. The Board voted to approve the lockbox request.

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In further business, Mr. Carreiro also asked the Board to consider a demand fee increase for late payments. The state allows towns to collect as much as $30 in demand fees, but Mr. Carreiro asked the Board to increase from $5 to $15. "We want to get across that these bills have to get paid," Mr. Carreiro said.

Mr. Dawson agreed, citing the cost and energy involved in the collections process. "This could provide incentive," he said.

The Board agreed to increase the demand fee incrementally. They voted to increase the fee to $10, effective January 1, 2011, and they agreed to meet again in a year to determine if they need to increase the fee further.

In a final request, Mr. Carreiro asked the Board to increase a municipal lien fee from $40 to $50. This is the fee paid by anyone looking to determine whether or not a property owes taxes. Mr. Carreiro said that the new fee would be more in line with what other municipalities in the area are charging. The Board voted to approve this increase.

In Action items, the Board voted to:

• Sign the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting and the Special Town Meeting on May 17, 2010.

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• Grant and entertainment extension to Tabor Academy for June 19 to 11:30 pm.

• Approve personnel changes on the Conservation Commission, with Jeff Oakes moving to associate member and Wendy Carreau becoming a full member.

• Approve water and sewer commitments in the amounts of $550, 302.09 and 1,578.22.

In the Town Administrator's report, Mr. Dawson presented a list of Open Meeting Law changes to the Board. Included in the changes are:

• Meeting notice – All boards and committees are required to give 48 hours notice before meetings, and Saturday, Sunday and legal holidays are not included in the 48 hours.

• Notices must include more than just the date, time and location – it should also, within reason, contain the intended agenda for the meeting.

• Boards and committee are prohibited from discussing agenda items in e-mail correspondence; likewise, they are allowed to have happenstance meetings, as long as business is not discussed.

• The Attorney General will now assume all "interpretation and enforcement" of reported Open Meeting Law violations – district attorneys will no longer be involved. This is to improve uniformity in the interpretation of Open Meeting Law.

In Correspondence, the Board received notice of resignation from two longtime EMS workers: Everett Eaton and Charles Brown. "On behalf of the town, my

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hat's off to them," said Mr. Dawson. "We hate to see them go… we wish them well."

The Board voted to adjourn at 8:54 pm.

Board Allows Farmers' Market on Campus

Old Rochester Regional School Committee

By Laura Pedulli

A regular meeting of the Old Rochester Regional School Committee was called to order by Chairperson Peter Bangs on April 15, 2010 in the ORR Media Center at 6:00 pm. Also in attendance were Committee members Jim O'Brien, Robin Rounseville, Paula Meere, and Virginia Beams, Superintendent Douglas White, Director of Student Services Teresa Hamm, School Business Administrator Kathleen Isernio, ORR High School Principal Michael Devoll, ORR Junior High School Principal Kevin Brogioli and Mattapoisett Town Administrator Michael Gagne.

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Mr. Gagne opened the meeting with a discussion on Mattapoisett's recent initiatives aimed at supporting local agriculture. He said the town is voting on bylaws at its Annual Meeting on May 10 that would establish an Agricultural Commission to advance agricultural practices and offer assistance when farmers "loggerhead" with residential development. The town administrator said that one major objective of the agricultural initiative is the establishment of a Tri-Town farmer's market. As such, Mr. Gagne asked for the ORR School Committee to approve use of the front and western parking lots of the Junior High for the market's use. The market would occur in the front lot with visitors parking in the side lot to ensure safety. Mr. Gagne added that a project manager would be hired to run the market.

In response to the question as to whether the junior high or high school would financially benefit from the market, Mr. Gagne said that if the markets were successful he would encourage the market's oversight committee to donate excess proceeds to the schools. Mr. Gagne also addressed the board's concern with liability issues saying that he is investigating adding the market under Mattapoisett's insurance policy, but in all cases the town would take full responsibility. Mr. Gagne also addressed the question as to what types of products are allowed at the market; he said only items at the secondary product level that are made with local ingredients are permitted. Later during the meeting, the board voted to approve use of the parking lots for the farmer's market, which Mr. Gagne hopes to begin in May or June.

Mr. Gagne then reported on "very exciting" efforts to install photovoltaic solar panels at Old Hammontown Elementary and Old Rochester Regional High School and Junior High. He said the town of Mattapoisett is sending out requests for qualifications to identify experienced companies to install and service the panels. The town

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administrator said use of the panels would reduce electricity costs by 30 to 40 percent. According to Ms. Isernio, about $400,000 annually is spent on electricity for the junior high and high schools.

Shaun Walsh, president of the ORR Booster Club, then asked the board to approve the construction of new trophy cases at ORR. Mr. Walsh said the current trophy cases are inadequate and numerous old trophies and awards remain in storage. He said that Coach Henry Quinlan is donating the labor and the club is paying for the materials, thus the new cases will cost nothing to the district. The new trophy cases would "show off history"

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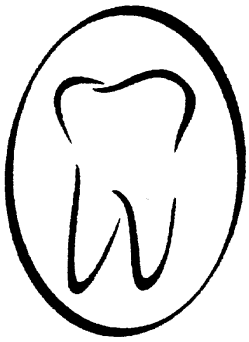

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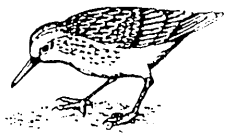

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and "be a source of community pride," he said. Later during the meeting, the board approved the construction of new trophy cases, which will be completed by next fall.

In a brief report, ORR Athletic Director William Tilden showed the board photos of the renovated ball field. He expressed delight that the baseball teams will play at the ORR campus this spring.

Superintendent Douglas White began his report on the news that Massachusetts was not selected to participate in Race to the Top, but the state will re-apply in June. He expressed concern that the Massachusetts Federation of Teachers recently backed out of their support for RTTT, which "may change the participation level [Massachusetts] once had." He said this could undermine the state's chances of getting chosen later this year.

Mr. White then announced that on May 11 at 6:30 pm in the ORR library, experts on regionalization would convene to discuss prospects of regionalizing Tri-Town schools.

In addition, he said that the search for a new Facilities Director is nearly complete. This person will address "areas that have been neglected for a while," he said.

Ms. Hamm then reported on a Department of Education audit of the district's special education services. She said the school soon would release a press release inviting parents of special needs children to offer comments to the agency on these programs. Ms. Hamm said that DOE staff would begin interviewing special education faculty on April 26 and complete the audit by April 29.

The superintendent then continued with his report to discuss changes in state funding; he said although the schools possibly will face a four percent reduction in Chapter 70 aid, the state might increase regional transportation reimbursement by five percent. If state legislation is approved, Ms. Isernio estimated that in total, the school district would incur a net reduction of $67,340. "This is not finalized," Mr. White stressed.

Principal Devoll offered the board an update on high school happenings, including the release of report cards, upcoming Advanced Placement tests, and the undefeated seasons so far for the girl's tennis team and the boy's baseball team. He also mentioned that Dr. John Ratey – author of *Driven to Distraction and Delivered from Distraction* – would speak at an upcoming mind-body connection event for Advanced Placement Biology and Psychology students.

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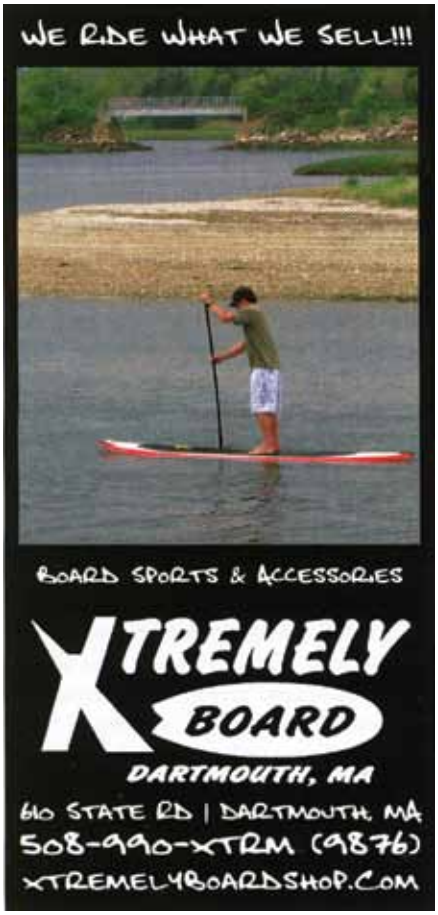
In the junior high principal's report, Mr. Brogioli reported on the success of the GiftsToGive collection drive and said that the student-faculty basketball game – which ended in a tie – raised more than $4,000 for a family affected by cancer. He also reported that the jazz band won the bronze medal at a recent musical festival. Later during the meeting, the principal presented and received board approval of his Student Improvement Plan for next year. Goals of the plan include: restructure the delivery of instruction to engage and involve students in active learning; develop global awareness; provide resources and training to ensure currency of technological



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Later in the meeting, Mr. Brogioli informed the board that the junior high is dispersing an informal survey of a possible uniform requirement like "khakis and a polo shirt," he said.

In her business report, Ms. Isernio said that as the budget stands, "everything looks good, we've been conservative." She said she is meeting with the superintendent to purchase textbooks for next year in anticipation of the cuts.

Ms. Isernio also discussed the NutriKids point-of-sale cafeteria system – recently implemented at Sippican Elementary School – that allows students to purchase lunch with a pin number. "It would be really fabulous to get that here," she said. "The possibilities are amazing," noting that the program tracks all food purchases, allows parents to see and block certain purchases, and removes the stigma for students in the reduced-lunch program. She said that the program would cost about $8,000 to implement.

Ms. Beams then distributed a draft school choice policy for the board's approval. The policy states that every year, the district will coordinate two random

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drawings for a select number of spots for out-of-district students. The policy also states that siblings of a chosen student will receive priority for admission and "a good discipline record and solid school's citizenship are important selection considerations." After a discussion, the board approved the policy and 22 School Choice spots for the high school (of which 10 already are taken) and 10 School Choice spots for the junior high (of which 2 already are taken) for the next school year.

In the SMEC report, Ms. Meere reported that it approved dress code changes prohibiting noticeable body piercing and tube tops. She also said SMEC approved

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a three percent increase for president Kathy Cooper's salary, a two percent increase for teachers' salaries, and a two percent hike in tuition fees. Also, she said SMEC is working on a social skills program for middle schoolers.

At 8:05 pm, the school board went into executive session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations.

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• When cleaning windows, check to see if they're in good condition. Loose, leaky or single-paned windows allow heated or cooled air to escape, taking energy dollars with it. Repair existing windows or consider replacing them with new Energy Star-qualified windows.

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Sports Shorts

By Anne O'Brien-Kakley

It was a busy week for all spring teams, but no one had more on their plate than the **Old Rochester Regional Tennis teams**. Both the boys' and girls' tennis teams each defeated Bishop Stang on April 12 (5-0), Apponequet on April 13 (5-0), and Dighton-Rehoboth on April 15 (4-1). The ORR tennis teams are holding their own, maintaining their unbeatable reputation. The tennis teams will get a chance to maintain their streak this week when they visit Wareham on April 23 and Dartmouth on April 24.

It was a mixed bag for the **Old Rochester Regional Girls' Softball** team this past week. The **Lady Bulldogs** lost big to Bishop Stang, 0-5 on April 12, but recovered nicely with a big win over Bourne on April 15,

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12-1. The victory dance was short-lived, however, when the Lady Bulldogs lost to Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech, 0-4. Maybe they just need to hear you cheer? Come out and support your softball team on April 23 at 10:30 am, when they play Seekonk on ORR turf.

ORR Boys' Baseball continued their great run that started with an easy season-opener last week. The Bulldogs crushed Bourne high school on April 15 with a 9-2 win, and followed that up the next day with another effortless win against Bishop Stang, 18-3. The winning streak was cut short on Patriots' Day when the Bulldogs lost to Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech, 0-2. Let's hope

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that this is just a blip on the way to an otherwise perfect season. You can cheer on those Bulldogs when they play an away game at Seekonk on April 23 at 10:30 am.

The **Old Colony boys' baseball** team has been unstoppable! The **Cougars** have swept the past three games, defeating Cape Cod Tech on April 13 (7-6), Tri-County Tech on April 14 (19-4), and South Shore Regional Voke on April 19 (14-7). Pitcher **Kraig Pimental** is continuing to pitch well, striking out 10 at the most recent game. They will play Bishop Connolly in Fall River on April 26, so cross your fingers and hope for a continued streak.

Old Colony girls' softball also scored a big win this past week. The **Lady Cougars** won on April 15 against Upper Cape, 14-3. Is another win in their future? We'll find out on April 26 when they travel to South Shore Regional Voke.

So what are you up to this week? Dig out your face paint and don your school colors – it's time to scream yourself hoarse and give your team a boost. It's spring, it's warm – there's no better time to sit in the bleachers!

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we are now soliciting nominations for our sixteenth annual "*Wanderer* Keel Awards." The yearly community service honor – which is presented to one resident from each of the three central towns in our circulation area – will be announced in our May 27, 2010 issue and each winner will be the subject of a short feature highlighting their contributions to the local community. But *The Wanderer* needs your help in selecting these "unsung heroes."

The requirements are simple. Nominees must be legal residents of Mattapoisett, Marion, or Rochester (at least five years), and must have contributed in some way to the overall benefit of the community – either directly to town residents, or indirectly through efforts in promoting town activities, or working to keep the wheels of local government well-oiled. The only restriction is that these persons cannot benefit from their efforts in any other way – either financially or politically (hence, sitting elected officials are not eligible).

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• **MATTAPOISETT – Maurice "Mudgie" Tavares (1994); Priscilla Alden Hathaway (1995); Norma Holt (1996); Gale Hudson (1997); Kenneth Stickney (1998); Clara Morgan (1999); Betty and Bert Theriault (2000); John N. "Jack" DeCosta (2001); Jo Pannell (2002); Stan Ellis (2003); Evelyn Pursley (2004); Luice Moncevitch (2005); Seth Mendell (2006); Bradford A. Hathaway (2007); Kim Field (2008), David Spencer Jenny (2009).**

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Please send the name, address and telephone number of recommended nominees, along with a brief description of their key contributions to the community and why you feel they are deserving of this honor to: Keel Award, *The Wanderer*, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

The deadline for nominations is Thursday, **May 20**, 2010 at 3:00 pm. Selected recipients will be contacted by telephone on Tuesday, May 25 prior to being announced in the May 27 issue.

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Photographs of area events and news-makers are also accepted and encouraged. *The Wanderer* accepts well-lit and clearly-defined color or black and white photographs for publication provided they include a brief summary of the event or subject. Due to processing and/or cropping requirements, we cannot return photographs. Please make sure you retain your negatives or have a copy made before submitting photographs for publication. Like news items, the deadline for photos is Monday at 12:00 noon and the publication of photographs is also subject to spacing constraints and therefore cannot be guaranteed.

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To the Editor:

It is irresponsible that our State Representative, William Straus, would have voted to bring casino gambling and slot machines to Massachusetts when no public hearings had been held on this major change in public policy. What is even more troubling is the last time this issue was presented to the public, it was voted down.

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Representative Straus is supposed to be representing the people of the 10th District rather than the views of Mr. Robert DeLeo. The leadership of the Senate is showing better sense and is calling for public hearings on the matter.

Casino gambling is no way to fund state government functions. Study after study has shown the total cost to citizens of gambling losses and in the related social expenses far outweighs the income stream. Part of the success of the Tea Party movement to get rid of incumbents is that politicians are not listening to voters and are not doing the "right thing." Representative Straus' e-mail is rep.straus@verizon.net. Let him know how you feel about casino gambling and slots.

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Relay for Life

Walkers will go around the clock in the battle against cancer when the sixth annual American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Tri-Town gets underway with teams of residents gathering at the Old Rochester Regional High School track located at 135 Marion Road, Mattapoisett. The event will start on **June 11** at 6:00 pm and will continue until **June 12** at 12:00 pm.

Relay For Life events are held overnight as individuals and teams camp out at an athletic track, park or other gathering area, with the goal of keeping at least one team member on the track or pathway at all times throughout the evening. Teams do most of their fundraising prior to the event, but there are many on-site fundraising opportunities for the community to participate in at their campsites and under the Survivors tent during Relay. Relay brings together friends, families, businesses, communities, hospitals, schools, faith-based groups - people from all walks of life, and all aimed at furthering the American Cancer Society's efforts to save lives by helping people stay well, by helping them get well, by finding cures, and by fighting back.

Relay is a unique opportunity for our community to come together to celebrate people who have battled cancer, remember those we've lost, and fight back against the disease. Tri-Town cancer survivors are encouraged to pre-register for the Survivors dinner at 5:00 pm where they can enjoy the ORRHS Drama Club performing songs from their latest performance of *Rent*. Many of the participants are cancer survivors, which serves as a reminder that Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester are not immune to this disease, and that by participating in Relay, we are joining with the American Cancer Society's efforts to create a world with less cancer and more birthdays.

Relay For Life's Luminaria Ceremony takes place at 9:00 pm on Friday night, honoring the community's cancer survivors and remembering those lost to the disease. Participants will circle a track that is surrounded with glowing luminaria that bear the name of someone who has battled cancer. This touching display is accompanied by the sounds of a local bagpiper and is truly worth witnessing. Luminaria bags in memory of a friend or loved one may be purchased for a $5.00 donation by calling any event team member or by visiting www.relayforlife.org\tritownma. You may decorate your own with photos, etc. or the committee may do them for you.

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member will inspire Relay participants with his or her own commitment and will challenge them to take a personal pledge of action (stop smoking, eat more healthily, exercise regularly, etc.) in fighting back.

To locate the Relay For Life of Tri-Town event and find out how you may get involved, please call Caryn Hodges at 508-989-7805 or Carol Lareau at 508-758-9229 or visit www.relayforlife.org\tritownma.

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Five Simple Things to Do on Earth Day

From the Nature Conservancy

April 22 marks the 60th anniversary of Earth Day. If you think you can't make a difference, think again. Often it's the smallest changes – multiplied by millions of people – that have the biggest impact. Here are five simple things that we all can do on Earth Day and beyond:

• **Know your carbon footprint** – We all want to be "greener" in our daily lives, but in order to do that effectively, we each need to know our carbon footprint. Take five minutes and use The Nature Conservancy's online tool at www.nature.org/carboncalculator. Then, commit to using just a little less carbon.

• **Time your shower** – With the warmer months ahead of us, now is the time to start thinking about conserving our water. The next time you take a shower, time it. The next day, reduce that time by a minute or two. If you listen to music, shut off the faucet after two songs.

• **Go for a walk** – Even if it's just around the block, getting outside is one of the best things you can do to connect to nature. Bring your kids, too. A growing body of research suggests that a lack of exposure to nature is linked to rises in obesity, attention-deficit disorder and

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• **Speak up on climate change** – Let your legislators know that you support national legislation to reduce carbon emissions. This is a critically important step in the fight against climate change.

• **Find a farmer's market** – Farmer's markets – selling locally-made fare – abound throughout the summer and fall. Find one near you at www.farmfresh.org and mark a date in your calendar to check it out. Or, simply opting for a PB&J instead of roast beef once or more a week is a great way to "green" your lunch.

Marion Tax Collector News

Marion Tax Collector Gary J. Carreiro would like to remind residents that fourth quarter Fiscal Year 2010 Actual Real Estate and Personal Tax Bills are due Monday, **May 3**, 2010. Taxpayers may make payment online at www.MarionMA.gov through eBill having their payments directly withdrawn from their checking or savings account or alternatively mailing their payment to the Town of Marion, 2 Spring Street, Marion MA 02738, or make payment directly at the Town House, Monday through Thursday, 8:00 am – 4:30 pm, and on Friday, 8:00 am – 3:30 pm.

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Magic Hour at Marion Congregational

A Magical Event will be presented by Marcus the Magician at the First Congregational Church of Marion on Saturday, **May 1**. The magic hour will start at 4:00 pm in the Community Center Hall at 144 Front Street in Marion. Tickets are $7.00.

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Machacam Club

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Since May is the last Machacam Club meeting until October, we are happy to welcome back Seth Mendell who will present the final installment of his "History of the Elizabeth Islands." This portion will examine Tasquey and Nashawena Islands and review the highlights of all the islands we have discussed on our journey through this historic chain off our shores.

Callers are asked to bear in mind the importance of call list accuracy. Please report your lists not later than 9:00 pm on May 3 by calling 508-758-9311 or e-mail gpfnr@aol.com. Last minute changes may be made by members by calling the same phone number no later than 9:00 am on May 4.

Tri - Town Basketball Camp

The Tri-Town Basketball Camp, under the direction of Coach Rick Regan, will again be held this summer at the Old Rochester Regional High School gymnasium. The camp is for boys and girls grades 4 through 9 from Mattapoisett, Marion, and Rochester. This is the fourteenth year the Tri-Town Basketball Camp has been under the direction of Coach Regan. He has coached at both Old Rochester Regional Senior and Junior High School for different levels of boys and girls as well as

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The **first** session is for boys and will be held from Monday, **July 12,** to Thursday, **July 15**. Boys presently in grades 4, 5, and 6 will attend from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Boys presently in grades 7, 8, and 9 will attend from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

The **second** session is for girls and will be held from Monday, **July 19,** to Thursday, **July 22**. Girls presently in grades 4, 5 and 6 will attend from 9:00 to 12:00 pm. Girls presently in grades 7, 8 and 9 will attend from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

The camp focuses on the fundamentals and development of shooting, passing, dribbling, ball handling, rebounding, post play, as well as individual and team defense. The camp counselors who assist Coach Regan will be former and current players from Old Rochester as well as other local area coaches.

Registration forms were recently distributed to the local schools early in April but can also be obtained through Coach Regan's camp website: http://web.me.com/rick.regan. The cost of the camp is $115 per session. Space is available in all sessions at this time, but spots will fill quickly especially in the boys morning session. Please send in your registration form and payment as soon as possible. For more information or questions, please email Coach Regan at coachregan3@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing our former and new campers this summer.

Buzzard's Bay Regatta

You are invited to be a part of the 38th Annual Buzzards Bay Regatta on **August 6, 7 and 8**, 2010. Hosted by the Beverly Yacht Club in Marion. This year's regatta promises to be better than ever with the help of New Bedford, Mattapoisett and Low Tide Yacht Clubs and Community Boating Center of New Bedford.

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This great regatta would not be possible without the support of our sponsors and the legion of volunteers that help to plan and coordinate the event. If you or someone you know wishes to help out this year either as a sponsor or volunteer worker during the regatta, please contact e-mail: info@buzzardsbayregatta.com or visit: www.buzzardsbayregatta.com.

Early Childhood Council

A special meeting of the Tri-Town Early Childhood Council will be held on Monday, **April 26,** at Sippican School. The meeting will take place in the Community Room beginning at 6:00 pm. The grant proposal for FY11 will be discussed and voted on.

If you have any questions, please call the Early Childhood Office at 508-748-1863.

Rochester Cultural Council Survey

Every fall, a small group of people meet to decide which of the many applicants for the money allocated to

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Each year, the Rochester Cultural Council pours over the approximately 25 to 30 applicants and tries to allocate the funding to the maximum advantage of the community. The committee is all-volunteer and represents a cross section of Rochester's population. They try to allocate the funds so that as many people, in all age groups ranging from elementary school children to our senior citizens are covered.

However, they could use some more input from the residents of Rochester as to how that money should be spent. To that end, a questionnaire has been designed, and is available at the Town Hall, Plumb Library, Bev Loves Books, Rochester Memorial School, and the Old Colony and Old Rochester High Schools. The public is invited to pick up the short survey, fill it out and return it. Then this fall, when the Rochester Cultural Council is again faced with choosing where to apply the annual appropriation from the State, their choices will be in line with how the community would like to see the money spent.

As a benchmark, in 2010, the town's allocation was divided among several area music and theater groups, programs at Rochester Memorial School, Old Colony, and the Plumb Library, and multigenerational programs at several non-profit organizations. The entire list can be seen online at www.mass-culture.org/Rochester.

The Rochester Cultural Council hopes local residents will take this opportunity to participate in this survey to help us fund programs that celebrate diversity, showcase artistic excellence, and provide learning experiences for people of all ages and backgrounds.

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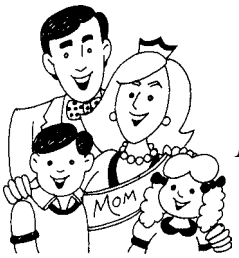

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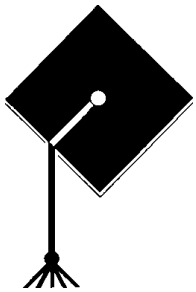

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Mattapoisett Town Clerk News

• **Dog Licenses** – Licenses are due. A current rabies must be on file before the license can be issued. If a resident is 70 years of age or older and the owner of a dog, they are entitled to a free license, but a current rabies must be on file in the Clerk's office. The license renewal form was on the back of the Annual Town Census form, If you have not received a Town census form or have questions regarding the licensing process, please call the office at 508-758-4103 ext 2.

• **Late Wharf, Skiff and Mooring Bills** – 2010 late bills have been mailed to all holders of a Wharf, Skiff or Mooring space. Please be sure your mooring inspection is on file if your bill so indicates and all boat excise taxes have been paid. If either of these two is not, current payment will be returned. Late bills have been assessed a $50 late fee in addition to the annual fees.

• **Wharf, Skiff, Mooring and Dinghy Wait Lists** – 2010 bills have been mailed and payment is due 60 days from date of bill, May 3, 2010.

• **Voter Registration** – Tuesday **April 20**, 2010 is the last day to register to vote at either the Annual Town Meeting on May 10, 2010 or the Annual Town Election on May 18, 2010. The office will be open until 8:00 pm that evening. Any questions, please call the office at 508-758-4103 ext. 2.

Mattapoisett Council on Aging

• **Learn to Play Bridge** – Play beginner's or duplicate Bridge. There is a level of Bridge for all stages of play. Starting on **April 28**, on Thursdays at 9:00 am, the Mattapoisett Social and Wellness Center will be hosting Bridge classes. All are welcome and refreshments will be served.

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•Tuesday, **April 27**: 8:30 Yoga; 8:30 Stop and Shop; 9:30 Public Health Nurse; 1:00 Art.

•Wednesday, **April 28**: 10:00 Zumba Gold; 12:00 Fitness w/Karen; 1:00 Art; 1:30 Bingo.

•Thursday, **April 29**: 9:00 Bridge; 9:30 Public Health Nurse; 1:00 Art; Trip to Sweetberry Farm in Middleton.

•Friday, **April 30**: 8:30 Yoga; 8:30 Shaws; 10:00 Cardio Dance Fit; 11:00 Caffeine Talk; 11:15 Meditation.

Reminders for upcoming weeks:

• **April 16-23** – Tile Decorating Class. $5 for class and materials. Call for details.

• **April 20** – Breakfast and shopping at Garden City Center/Whole Foods.

• **May 6** – Trip to Art Complex and Milepost Tavern in Duxbury,

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2010 Tri-Town Youth Summer Sailing

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The program is open to students ages 6 to 13 (currently attending eighth grade) who are residents of Mattapoisett, Marion or Rochester, summer residents, or members of Mattapoisett Community Sailing Association. The cost of each two-week session is $365 per student. Financial aid is available.

Classes will be held mornings from 8:30 to 11:30 am for beginners and junior sailors (ages six to eight), and afternoons from 12:30 to 3:30 for more experienced sailors. Session three will also offer a race skills program in the afternoon. Each class is tailored to fit the needs and sailing skill level of the student. Classes are scheduled in two-week sessions as follows:

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Nasketucket Bird Club

The next Nasketucket Bird Club meeting will be held on Thursday, **April 22**, 7:00 pm, at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library. All are welcome to attend. "We will be discussing spring warblers, and spring migration birds, with a speaker to be announced," said Mike LaBossiere, president of the Nasketucket Bird Club. Please use the library's south door entrance. For more information please contact the president at 508-863-5658 or e-mail him at sparrowhawk51@verizon.net.

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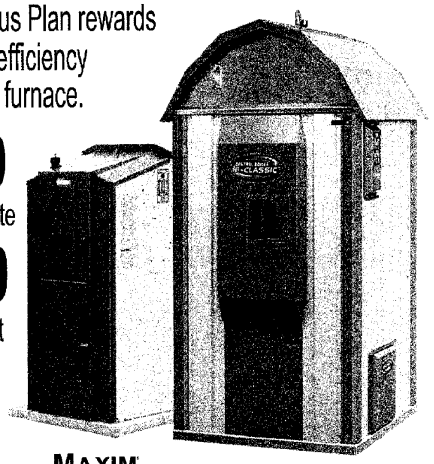

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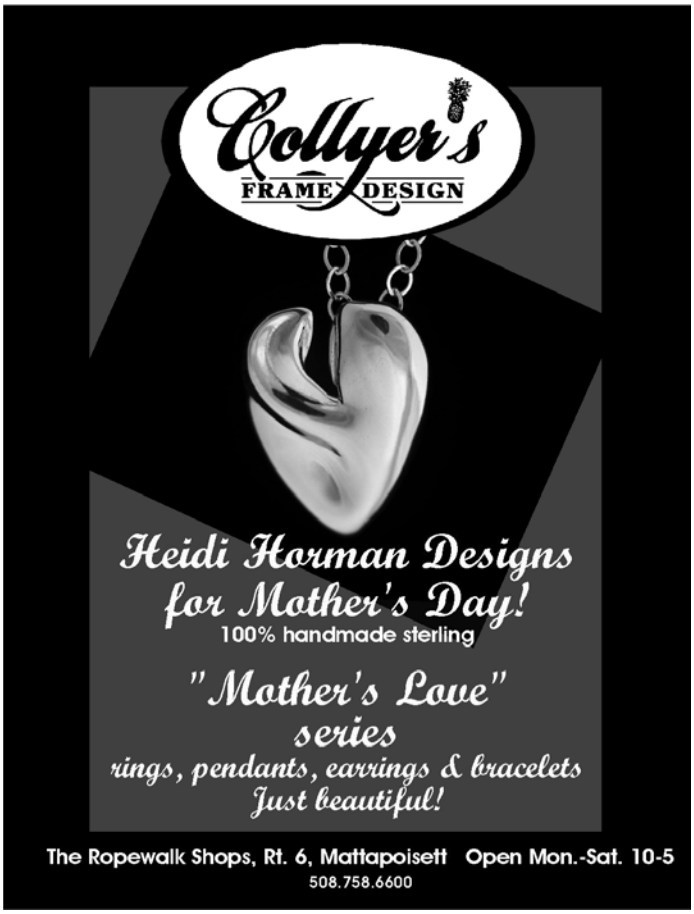

two-day camp experience for children and teens, ages five through 17, who are grieving the loss of a loved one. It will be held **July 24 and 25** from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Sign-in starts at 8:30 am.

Camp Angel Wings provides interactive activities that include music, swimming, arts and crafts, rock climbing and archery designed to reduce the sense of isolation while improving self-esteem for children and teens who share like experiences in grief.

Registrations are now being accepted. For more information, or to register, please call Jo-Ann Richard at 508-984-0277 or go online to www.southcoast.org/home/camp.html to download a form.

Southcoast Home Care, Hospice and Palliative Care and Infusion Services, a department of Southcoast Hospitals Group, is a private non-profit agency that provides comprehensive, preventive and rehabilitative home health care to residents of the Greater New Bedford and Wareham areas. For more information visit www.southcoast.org/home.

ORR Students at State Convention

Nine members of the class of 2011 at Old Rochester Regional High School will be attending the Boys'/Girls' State Convention sponsored by the American Legion's Florence Eastman Post 280, **June 12-18** at Stonehill College in North Easton, MA.

The Mattapoisett Lions Club will sponsor Dana Dourdeville, Benjamin Bungert, Nina Batt, and Holly Cardoza. Gregory Kornichuk, Peter Perkins, and Emily Bungert will be sponsored by Lawrence DiCara, Esquire. The Machacam Club and the George White Foundation will sponsor Steven Price. The Machacam Club will also sponsor Shanice DaSilva.

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evidence of leadership ability and an interest in the democratic process. At the convention, delegates will study local and state government. They will establish and operate their own cities and towns and state government in miniature. This will include forming two political parties, holding conventions, nominating candidates, conducting campaigns, and electing officials. The primary goal of Boys'/Girls' State is for attendees to develop a better understanding of how State Government functions.

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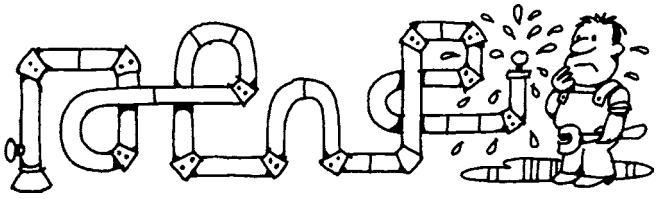

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mom on Mothers' Day? Take Mom and all of the family to a Bluegrass concert at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church on Saturday, **May 8** at 7:00 pm in the Church Hall at 27 Church Street.

This evening of bluegrass and folk music will feature local performer David Dunn of Mattapoisett and the fabulous Gravel Road band from New Hampshire.

Tickets are $10 ($5 for students) and can be purchased at the church office, How on Earth in Mattapoisett and the Symphony Music Shop in Dartmouth. Tickets can also be reserved for pick-up the night of the concert by calling the church office at 508-758-2671 or Sue at 508-748-0180.

All the money raised will go to Heifer International. For more that 60 years, Heifer has been helping to end hunger and care for the earth – one animal, one tree, and one family at a time. It is based on the old proverb, "Give a man a fish and he will eat for a night; teach a man to fish and he will eat for a lifetime." Your support of this concert can help others to help themselves. Visit www.heifer.org for more information.

On Sunday, **May 9**, the Mattapoisett Congregational Church will have a special Bluegrass music service at 10:00 am. It's free and all are welcome!

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Nasketucket Bay State Reservation Clean up

On Saturday, **April 24**, the state is sponsoring the Department of Conservation and Recreation's 4th Annual Park Serve Day. While Nasketucket Bay State Reservation is not one of the properties targeted by the state, the Friends of Nasketucket Bay State Reservation and the Mattapoisett Land Trust believe that our own "park" could use a spring-cleaning. The public is invited to spend a couple of hours enjoying the early spring beauty of the park while collecting litter and debris from the paths and beaches.

Everyone interested in helping to beautify our local "park" should meet at the Nasketucket Bay Sate Reservation parking lot at 9:00 am on April 24. Please bring gloves and a bag for collecting litter – rubber boots are highly recommended. For more information call 508-758-7849 or email info@mattlandtrust.org. Spend a couple hours in service to celebrate Earth Day.

Habitat for Humanity

In the days leading up to Mother's Day, construction crews of women volunteers all across the country will be pounding nails and raising walls at Habitat construction sites across the country in

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recognition of National Women Build Week, **May 1 to 9**. In Wareham, on Saturday, May 1, local women volunteers will be manning tools and materials, working at 39 Minot Avenue to build an affordable home for a family in need. Construction will begin on May 1 from 8:30 to 4:30.

Across all 50 states, around 7,000 women volunteers are expected to build at more than 200 Habitat for Humanity construction sites.

National Women Build Week challenges women to devote at least one day to the effort to eliminate poverty housing. The event is an initiative of Habitat for Humanity's Women Build program, which recruits, educates and nurtures women to build and advocate for simple, decent and affordable houses in their communities.

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Please pass this info on to other former leaders and members as there are many! Guest of honor will be our club founder, Carol Knight. The reunion will take place at Ashland Welsh, 152 North Street in Mattapoisett, on **July 31**, 2010.

If you are interested in attending, please e-mail Mel Bosworth at ashlandwelsh@verizon.net, or call 508-758-6672. Also, look for the 4-H Reunion on Facebook under "Mattapoisett Tails & Trails 4-H Reunion".

Tri-Town Early Childhood Series

The Tri-Town Early Childhood Office is sponsoring a parenting series titled, "Self Regulation and Young Children; How is it helpful for school readiness and school success?"

The second workshop will take place on **April 29** and the third will be on Monday, **May 3**. All workshops will take place at Rochester Memorial School from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. There is a $5 fee for each session or sign up for all three sessions for $10.

By the end of the workshops, participants will be able to identify what a child looks like as they are developing this skill and how parents and teachers can assist them during the process. The presenter will share information about regulation, as well as discuss Executive Functioning and how that ties into self-regulation. Both include a child's ability to be flexible, initiate a task, sustain attention, have emotional control, and other factors which will be discussed. The workshops will include open discussion about hypothetical situations where the group will actively participate in problem

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Mattapoisett Road Race Seeks Memorabilia

The Mattapoisett Road Race Committee recently met to begin the planning of the 40th Road Race to be held on Saturday, **July 3**, 2010. Since 1971, all monies from this non-profit race are given to scholarship awards for ORRHS graduates. Committee member Caty Furman, showed the attendees a festive red, white, and blue t-shirt designed especially for this special run.

The committee is collecting pictures and news articles from the past 40 years regarding the Road Race and would welcome any information. Please call or email Karen Manning 508-758-9419, kdmanning1@yahoo.com.

The next meeting will be Thursday, **May 13** at 7:00 pm in the conference room at ORRHS. Anyone interested in helping in this fun and beneficial day please call and/or come join!

Rochester Land Use Forum

The Rochester Planning Board invites residents to attend its Land Use Forum to be held Saturday, **April 24**, 2010 at 9:00 am at the Rochester Memorial School, off Pine Street. The purpose of the forum is to solicit input from local residents and Town Departments pertaining to zoning for the town. Please join us in developing a plan for the way Rochester will look in the future. Refreshments will be served.

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6:30 AM – Words of Peace
7:00 AM – Second Coming Church
8:00 AM – New Testament Church of Cedarville
9:30 AM – The First Congregational Church of Rochester
11:00 AM – Physician Focus
11:30 AM – White House Chronicles
12:30 PM – The Tri-Town Business Association Show
2:00 PM – Music and the Spoken Word
2:30 PM – The First Congregational Church of Rochester
4:00 PM – New Testament Church of Cedarville
6:30 PM - New England Job Show
7:30 PM – The Marion Art Center
8:00 PM – The Sippican Historical Society Presents
9:30 PM – ORCTV Community Announcements
Midnight – Midnight Movie

Monday April 26, 2010
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:30 AM – Fox Robbins Business Show
10:00 AM – Community Arts in Action
10:30 AM – Second Act
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch
3:00 PM – Words of Peace
4:00 PM - Explore
6:00 PM – Become Your Own Gym
7:30 PM – Living Healthy – with Jackie Bell
8:00 PM – Sharing Miracles
8:30 PM – Physician's Focus
9:00 PM – New England Job Show
9:30 PM – Around BCC
10:00 PM - Smart Boating
10:30 PM – Life Matters
Midnight – Midnight Movie

Tuesday April 27, 2010
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM – Graceful Aging
9:30 AM – ORCTV's Non Profit Highlights
10:30 AM – The Tri-Town Business Association Show
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon – Midday Movie
1:30 PM – The Wanderer Presents
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch
3:00 PM – ORCTV Community Announcements
4:00 PM – Free Minds TV
4:30 PM – Inside ORCTV
5:00 PM – The Harpoon Harmonizers
6:00 PM – The Red Cross – Preparing for a Disaster
7:00 PM – Senior Scene
7:30 PM - ORCTV's Nonprofit Highlights
8:00 PM – Inside ORCTV
8:30 PM – The Tri-Town Business Association Show
9:00 PM – Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy
Midnight – Midnite Mausoleum

Wednesday April 28, 2010
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM – Gardening Rhythms
9:30 AM – The Dr. Is In
10:00 AM – Cooking With Marie
10:30 AM - Living Healthy – with Jackie Bell
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch
3:00 PM – NASA 360
4:00 PM – Midweek Politics with David Pakman
5:00 PM – Gallery Talk – A Presentation of the Marion Art Center
5:30 PM – Second Act TV
6:00 PM – Become Your Own Gym
7:00 PM – White House Chronicle
7:30 PM - Fox Robbins Business Show
8:00 PM – Midweek Politics with David Pakman
9:00 PM – The Harpoon Harmonizers
10:30 PM – Life Matters
11:00 PM – 30 Odd Minutes
11:30 PM – The Big Picture
1:30 AM – Sci-Fi Journal

Thursday April 29, 2010
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM - Midweek Politics with David Pakman
10:00 AM – Kids a Cookin'
10:30 AM - Homefront
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch
5:00 PM - Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy
6:30 PM – Inside ORCTV
7:00 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM – The Cooking Hour
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
11:00 PM – Music
Midnight – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
2:00 AM – Midnight Mausoleum

Friday April 30, 2010
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM – Gardening Rhythms
9:30 AM – Fox Robbins Business Show
10:00 AM – Cooking With Marie
10:30 AM - Living Healthy – with Jackie Bell
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
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5:00 PM – Community Arts in Action
6:00 PM – Become Your Own Gym
7:00 PM – Fox Robbins Business Show
7:30 PM – Living Healthy – with Jackie Bell
8:00 PM – Homefront
8:30 PM – The Tri-Town Business Association Show
9:00 PM – The Marion Art Center
9:30 PM - New England Job Show
10:00 PM – Free Minds TV
11:00 PM – 30 Odd Minutes
Midnight – Friday Night Drive-In Theater Midnight Movies

Saturday May 1, 2009
8:00 AM – Classic Cartoon Festival
10:30 AM – NASA 360
11:00 AM – Expedition New England
11:30 AM – Kids a Cookin'
Noon – Inside ORCTV
12:30 PM – Around BCC
1:30 PM – The Harpoon Harmonizers
3:00 PM – Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy
7:00 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM – The Cooking Hour
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
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Midnight – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
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9:15 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting

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Daily Schedule
9:00 AM – Latest School Committee Meeting
1:00 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
2:15 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting
4:30 PM – Latest School Committee Meeting
6:30 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
8:30 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting

EDUCATION CHANNEL
Comcast Channel 18
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Daily Schedule
8:45 AM – Life After ORR
9:20 AM – Being Different Puppet Show
9:30 PM – Bulldog TV
11:00 AM – ORRHS Night of Jazz Concert
12:30 PM - ORRHS Boys Basketball
1:00 PM - Life After ORR
1:30 PM – Bulldog TV
2:00 PM – ORRHS - TV Production 2010 'How To' Class Projects
5:00 PM – Life After ORR
6:50 PM – ORRHS Night of Jazz Concert
8:00 PM – ORRHS - TV Production 2010 'How To' Class Projects
10:00 PM - ORRHS Winter Blues Film Festival

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Obituaries

Georgette E. (Renaud) Letendre, 79, of Acushnet, passed away peacefully and surrounded by her family on Tuesday, April 13, 2010, at Our Lady's Haven, after a period of declining health. She was the widow of Ernest J. Letendre and daughter of the late George and Estelle (Jaillet) Renaud. She was born in New Bedford and lived in Acushnet since 1956. She graduated from St. Anthony High School Class of 1948 and worked several years at Pop Casey's Lunch in Acushnet.

She was a recipient of the Marian Award from St. Francis Xavier Church. In her leisure time she enjoyed listening to music, walking, dancing but most of all her favorite love was being with her family and grandchildren.

Survivors include her eight children, Donald Letendre and his wife, Louise of Iowa, Norman Letendre and his wife, Debra of New Bedford, Paula Bettencourt and her husband, Robert of Sarasota, FL, Janice Tinkham and her husband, Dennis of Lakeville, Andrea Lemos and her companion, James Rogers of New Bedford, Monique Pavao and her husband, George of Dartmouth, Nicole Letendre and her fiancé, Rick Forand of Rochester and Ernest Letendre and his wife, Marcie of New Bedford; twenty-four grandchildren; twenty-seven great-grandchildren; two sisters, Yvette Costa of Acushnet and Germaine Stephens of Plymouth; three brothers, Roger Renaud of New Bedford, Paul Renaud of Georgia and Marcel Renaud of No. Carolina; and many nieces and nephews. She was the sister of the late Sylvio Renaud.

The family would like to extend their sincere appreciation for the wonderful care of their mother to the entire staff at Our Lady's Haven.

payable to St. Francis Xavier School, 223 Main St., Acushnet, MA 02743.

Arrangements were by the Rock Funeral Home. Donations may be made in her memory to the Sr. Louise Place Scholarship Fund, make checks payable to St. Francis Xavier School, 223 Main St., Acushnet, MA 02743.

Genowefa (Gumkowska) Machnowska, 91, died Easter Sunday, April 4, 2010, at the home of her daughter, Krystyna, in Ostroda. She was the wife of the late Piotr Machnowski. Born and raised in Poland, she lived in Ostroleka all her life.

Mrs. Machnowska was a talented artist and crocheter, whose many works were proudly displayed in the homes of her children. She is fondly remembered for her beautiful singing voice, gardening, and the delicious Polish meals she prepared.

A devout Catholic, she prayed the rosary daily, and never failed to wish God's blessings on those who knew her.

Mrs. Machnowska enjoyed the numerous visits to the United States, especially spending that time with her daughters, son and grandson.

Survivors include 2 daughters, Krystyna Knox of Poland and Halina Mierzejewska of Middleboro; a son, Richard Machnowski and his wife, Janice of Mattapoisett; 4 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Donations in her memory may be made to the OLPH Memorial Fund, 235 North Front St., New Bedford, MA 02746. Arrangements are by Machnowski - Schick Funeral Home, 472 Ashley Boulevard, New Bedford.

Bessie (Bonney) LaRochelle, 89, formerly of New Bedford, died Saturday, April 10, 2010, at the Sippican Healthcare Center in Marion, after a period of declining health. She was the wife of the late Stephen C. LaRochelle. Born in New Bedford, the daughter of the late Stephen K. and the late Ruby (Chippendale) Bonney and her late stepmother, Emma Bonney, she was a lifelong resident of the city and member of Grace Episcopal Church in New Bedford.

A graduate of New Bedford High School and Kinyon Campbell Business School in New Bedford, Bessie worked for the firm of David Duff and Son prior to working as a secretary for fourteen years at the Continental Screw Co. She then left to get married and raise her family. She was a member of the Assembly of Rainbow Girls in her youth.

Survivors include a daughter, Betsy-Ellen Fuller and

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In October 1989 Richard I. Arthur established this annual scholarship to honor Dwayne Cameron on his recognition as Mathematics Teacher of the Year. Mr. Cameron was chosen as the 1989 Presidential Awardee for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by the National Science Foundation. This award is given annually to the student most deserving of such an honor, to be based upon the criteria set by Mr. Cameron and Old Rochester Regional High School. Lockheed Martin Sippican has continued to sponsor this $1000 scholarship after the retirement of Mr. Arthur. After Mr. Cameron's passing in 2007, the award was increased to $1500 thanks to generous contributions from his friends, former students, and colleagues.

Seniors and alumni of ORRHS, who are currently enrolled as full-time students in graduate school or a four-year college or university, are also eligible for this $1500 scholarship and are encouraged to apply. Please request an application from the Guidance Department of ORRHS. The deadline for applications is Monday, **May 17**.

Marion Art Center News

The Marion Art Center is hosting an invitational exhibition of abstract art featuring works by Bo Burbank, Lorinda Callahan, Joan DeRugeris, Pat Grey and Alice Shire. The show runs until **May 5**. Gallery hours are: Tuesday – Friday, from 1:00 to 5:00 pm and Saturdays, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The Marion Art Center is located at the corner of Main and Pleasant Streets in Marion, Massachusetts. Admission is free.

ORR Cheer Classes

Have you ever wanted to learn the cheers the Bulldog fans and cheerleaders use at football and basketball games? Do you want to jump like a cheerleader? Learn the band dances and half-time routines the ORR Varsity Cheerleaders perform at games. Classes will be taught by a head ORR cheer coach and a former UMASS Dartmouth cheerleader with assistance from ORR Bulldog cheerleaders. This is a perfect prerequisite for those thinking about trying out for the ORR varsity cheer squad. These classes are open to boys and girls seventh through twelfth grade and will take place on Wednesdays, until **May 26**, from 2:15 pm – 3:30 pm. Class space is $40. Sign up in the ORR Junior High or High School front office. Please contact Lynn Monger with any questions: 508-763-2531, or e-mail: lexa32@comcast.

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her husband George "Sonny" of New Bedford; two sons, Guy S. LaRochelle and his wife Dabney of Rochester and Todd C. LaRochelle and his wife Sharon of Dartmouth; eight grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

Funeral Information

Arrangements are by the Donaghy Funeral Home, 465 County Street, New Bedford. To light a candle, sign the memorial register, consult the grief library, please log on to www.hathawayfunerals.com.In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 222 Richmond St., Providence, RI 02903; and/or Habitat for Cats, P.O. Box 79571, N. Dartmouth, MA 02747.

Elva Baldelli Zaffini, 89, a longtime resident of Needham and Mattapoisett, died at home in Mattapoisett on April 14, 2010. She had fought a long battle with Alzheimer's disease.

Born in Needham on April 30, 1920, she was the daughter of the late Julia and Giacomo Baldelli of Pesaro, Italy. She was the beloved wife of the late Alfred Zaffini. She is survived by her children, Judith Fiske, wife of the late Paul Fiske, of Mattapoisett, James Zaffini and his wife Suzanne of Titusville, Florida, and "special son" Carl Cardinali of Needham who grew up with Judy and Jim. She was the adoring grandmother of Lindsey Fiske of San Diego, CA, Ryan Fiske and his wife Laurie of Gainesville, FL, Robin Hettich and her husband James of Deltona, FL, Jeffrey Zaffini and his longtime companion of Jacksonville, FL, and Steven Zaffini and his wife Margaret of Natick. She was the doting great-grandmother of Haylee and Alec Fiske of Gainesville, FL and Regan and Brandon Hettich of Deltona, FL. She was the sister of the late Lido and Henry Baldelli, also of Needham. She had many nieces and nephews, especially loved by Leni Lee Baldelli Buttrick and her husband David, Glen Baldelli, Lauren Baldelli Carney and her husband John, and Kimberly Baldelli Simard and her husband Kevin.

Elva graduated from Needham High School where she enjoyed tennis and art, and cultivated many enduring friendships. Elva worked as a stitcher at ACE Leather from 1940-1943 and retired at age 55 on April 30, 1975 from Calvert's Department Store in Needham Heights where she spent many fond days working as a salesperson. "The Girls" were a group of loyal friends who grew up together and stood by each other through thick and thin over the years. On a regular basis, "The Girls" were invited to each other's homes for coffee and dessert and a chance to catch up on each other's news.

The family would like to thank the following staffs for all their loving care and assistance, Community Nurse & Hospice Care of Fairhaven, Friendly Harbor Day Care Center in Fairhaven, and St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford.

At her request, services are private. Arrangements are by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Mattapoisett. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Shelton J. Francis, 74, passed away Sunday, April 11, 2010, unexpectedly at Lake Havasu Regional Medical Hospital in Lake Havasu, Arizona. He was the husband of Madeleine (Bourque) Francis. He was born in New Bedford and lived in Fairhaven until 1986. He graduated from Fairhaven High School in 1955.

He retired in 2005 as the Founder, CEO and President of Horizon Community Bank in Lake Havasu, Arizona. Prior to moving to Arizona, he was the President of the National Bank of Fairhaven.

He is survived by his wife; three sons, Kevin of Lake Havasu, AZ, Keith of Mattapoisett, and Chris of Phoenix, AZ; one granddaughter, Victoria Madeleine Francis of Phoenix, AZ; and a sister, Eleanor Souza of Fairhaven.

Funeral services will be private in New Bedford, MA.

Mary Ivy (Newsham) Cournoyer, 85, of Acushnet, passed away on Wednesday, April 14, 2010, at the New Bedford Jewish Convalescent Home, after a long illness. She was the widow of Laurent Cournoyer and daughter of the late Thomas and Eleanor (Smith) Newsham.

She was born and lived most of her life in Acushnet and was a high school graduate. She retired as a Correctional Officer at MCI in Framingham and had previously worked at Paulding's for 25 years.

She was a former member of People's Christian Church. In her leisure time she enjoyed her cats and loved being with her family and grandchildren.

Survivors include her two daughters, Laurel A. Cunningham and her companion, Alan Roseman of Fairhaven and Eileen M. Medeiros and her companion, Duffy Clapp of Rochester; five grandchildren, Jodie Medeiros of Provincetown, Marti Bailey and her husband, Ted and Lorrie Marciel and her companion, Phil Ferreira, both of Rochester, Janie Seguer and her husband, Michael of Fairhaven and Dale Cunningham and his companion, Pilar Gizzi of ME; ten great-grandchildren, David, Sara, Joshua, Max, Michael, Shane, Maura, Henry, Hollis and Georgia.

She was also the mother of the late Joan Cournoyer.

Arrangements by the Rock Funeral Home. Burial private. Donations may be made in her memory to your local Animal Shelter.

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Mattapoisett Tree Committee News

Celebrate Tree Day in Mattapoisett – The Mattapoisett Tree Committee is pleased to announce that the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen designated **April 30** as Arbor Day in Mattapoisett. The Mattapoisett Tree Committee is committed to preserving Mattapoisett's tree canopy. Why a tree canopy? In addition to its scenic beauty, a canopy of trees offers shade, home for birds, stability of our land/soil and fresh air.

Last year, Mattapoisett earned its first Tree City USA award. Have you noticed our "Tree City USA" signs on North Street and Route 6?

As part of Mattapoisett's Arbor Day recognition this year, the Tree Committee will participate in an educational event focusing on trees at Center School as part of Center School's Global Issues evening on **April 14**, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm for families of Center School students.

Dual Flutes at Marion Congregational Concert

Virtuosic showpieces by Franz Doppler and seductive melodies by Frederic Chopin for two flutes and piano will entertain the audience on Saturday, **April 24**, in Marion's historic First Congregational Church. The 5:00 pm concert, performed by flutists Wendy Rolfe and Katharine Kemler with pianist Cassandra Morgan, will include jazzy Brazilian and Cuban-inspired solos and duets and will be followed by a light post-concert buffet supper in the Church's Community Center. Entertaining at the supper will be Marion's well-known popular piano stylist Truman Terrell and the a cappella group The Occasion Singers.

Combination tickets for the concert and supper together are $25 and may be reserved by calling the First Congregational Church office at 508-748-1053. Tickets for the concert alone ($10 adults/$5 students) are available at the Church office or at the Bookstall in Marion, or may be purchased at the door. The concert and post-concert supper will raise funds to support the First Congregational Church's annual Cantata Sunday, which assembles an area-wide group of singers and instrumentalists during the Christmas season to perform a major choral liturgical composition under the direction of FCC Choir Director Cassandra Morgan.

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Editor's Pick of the Week

The Omnivore's Dilemma

By Anne O'Brien-Kakley

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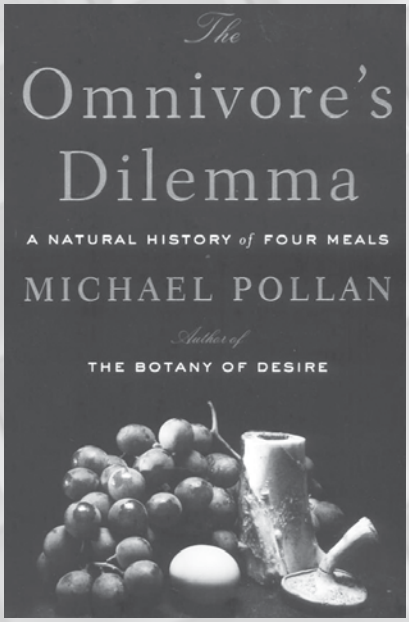
What are you going to eat for dinner tonight? Doesn't sound like much of a dilemma, does it? Well, what if I were to ask you where your food comes from? Getting trickier. Is it an industrially-sourced food, or did you go crazy at Whole Foods with the organic labels? Is it low-carb, low-fat, high in antioxidants or cruelty-free? These are the further questions that plague many Americans and comprise part of the "Omnivore's Dilemma."

Fans of Barbara Kingsolver's 2007 book *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle* will be compelled to pick up Pollan's book, which continues where Kingsolver left off in divulging the sources of our very convoluted food chain. Unlike Kingsolver (whose fictional portfolio includes *The Bean Trees* and *The Poisonwood Bible*) Pollan's book is less of a locavore manifesto and more of a declaration of things wrong in our eating culture (or lack thereof).



The Omnivore's Dilemma tackles everything from fad dieting, to food sourcing, to the moral dilemma of eating animals (including the slaughter process, which we omnivores like to gloss over in our minds). Pollan pinpoints a pervasive anxiety in America concerning food. Our food selection is closely tied in to our identity and morals. Are you someone who cares about the environment and fluffy animals? Then your dilemma is eating meat. Are you someone who wants to slim down? Then you must stay on top of every eating trend, even if that trend tells you to enter a state of ketosis, where you starve your body of carbohydrates to initiate a fat-burning process. How will you know that you are in ketosis? Your breath will stink. But it's worth it! Right?

Pollan analyzes the reasons for what he calls a "National Eating Disorder." Food fads are nothing new, he says, citing the strange case of one Dr. John Harvey Kellogg, inventor of corn flakes and an enema-obsessed health guru. People flocked to Dr. Kellogg and his Battle Creek Sanitarium at the end of the 19th century for extreme exercise and diet routines, hoping that the measures would improve their lives and curb their addictions (a 1994 motion picture entitled *The Road to Wellville,* based on a fictionalized novel by T.C Boyle on the Battle Creek Sanitarium, depicts this early fad diet craze).

In a country with no unified cultural food identity, it is easy for fad diets to take a foothold, according to Pollan. French citizens, who enjoy pate (which is 100 percent fat), wine, cheese and baguettes without anxiety or regret, are paradoxically thinner than American citizens, who are constantly trying to trick themselves into being thinner with fad diets. But, Pollan points out: France doesn't eat at the wheel of the car. It doesn't have a whole line of travel soup containers that fit in car cup-holders. And they don't typically eat alone, or in between meals.

So the Omnivore's Dilemma really is something of a collective eating disorder that continues to build on itself. Besides fad dieting, *The Omnivore's Dilemma* looks at the three possible food sources for the average American: the industrial, a mega-complex of intertwining food industries that seem to all originate in the corn field; the organic and local food sources, which seek to find some kind of soul and sustainability in the food industry (but still must employ some industrial methods to remain profitable); and the personal food source, which is what people personally hunt, gather and grow for their table. Not surprisingly, the third source is the smallest.

To round out each of his chapters, Pollan creates a meal based on the food source that he has just analyzed. In the first meal, he and his wife and son eat a meal of McDonalds from their convertible, and Pollan tries to calculate how much corn they have just consumed. Although the meal consisted of a hamburger, fries, soda, chicken nuggets and a cursory Cobb salad, the vast majority of their meal still originated in the corn field. The second meal, Pollan and his guests enjoy a little more: a roasted chicken, soufflé and fresh corn that have been locally grown. The final meal, which Pollan labels "The Perfect Meal," consists of a feral pig, cherries, abalone, fava beans, herbs and greens that he had hunted/farmed/picked himself. This final form of eating is incredibly gratifying to Pollan, but he recognizes it is unrealistic for every day eating.

While interesting and informative, this book doesn't attempt to address how to change the food complex – in fact, Pollan kind of shrugs and says that this is the way it is. But certainly, knowledge is power, and Pollan delivers this knowledge in a thoroughly researched way that is free from judgment. The book, in combination with *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle* by Barbara Kingsolver, is bringing attention to our food sources in a way that hasn't been seen since Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle*.

This book will be discussed at the Plumb Library "Just the Facts" book club on Monday, April 26 at 6:30 pm.

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• **Go Green at Your Library** – Join Laser Leigh of Mad Science as he presents an April vacation program on our insect friends. Sponsored by the Friends of Plumb Library, this is a part of our "Go Green at Your Library" programs, leading up to the summer reading program starting in June. Children ages five to 12 are invited to sign up to attend "Bugs" on Thursday, **April 22,** at 3:00 pm. Space is limited, so sign up now!

• **Book of the Month** – April's book is *The Omnivore's Dilemma*, by Michael Pollan. Today, buffeted by one food fad after another, America is suffering from a national eating disorder. The question of what to have for dinner has confronted us since the dawn of time. In this revolutionary book, the author explains that how we answer that question now may determine the survival of our species. We will discuss this book on Monday, **April 26** at 6:30 pm. Books and audiobooks are available at the desk, or bring your own copy.

• **Cafe Parlez Goes to the Movies** – Café Parlez will read *Shoeless Joe*, by W.P. Kinsella. Thanks to the 1989 movie *Field of Dreams* with Kevin Costner, Burt Lancaster, and James Earl Jones, everyone knows the phrase, "If you build it, he will come." This book is the source of the movie. When Iowa farmer Ray Kinsella builds a baseball

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***Kick-Ass*. Starring Aaron Johnson and Nicolas Cage. Directed by Matthew Vaughn. Running time: 119 minutes. MPAA rating: R.**

Some are saying that *Kick-Ass* becomes what it satirizes. I prefer to think it satirizes what it must become. The movie, about a dorky teen (Aaron Johnson) who suits up in a costume and calls himself Kick-Ass, has its origins in — where else? — a comic book, written by Mark Millar and drawn by John Romita Jr. (whose father drew *Spider-Man* back in the '60s). Millar, who also wrote the comic that became 2008's *Wanted,* is a former comics fanboy who seems to loathe that younger self. *Wanted* and *Kick-Ass* stick it to the reader, making us feel foolish for investing our emotions in yet more power fantasies. The film version, written by Matthew Vaughn and Jane Goldman and directed by Vaughn, is more even-tempered. It's kinder to its characters (and therefore to its audience), though still pretty harsh by comic-book-movie standards.

Kick-Ass has no special powers, other than metal plates in his head and iffy nerve endings following the severe beating that greets his maiden voyage as a crimefighter. So he can take more of a beating than most people without blacking out. Kick-Ass is in one movie that respects the laws of physics, the reality of hard objects thudding into flesh and bone. The other movie features Big Daddy and Hit Girl (Nicolas Cage and Chloë Grace Moretz), a father-daughter team similarly attired and inclined. They have the moves and the skills; they truly kick ass. Big Daddy is avenging past misdeeds by a local crime boss (Mark Strong), and he has recruited Hit Girl into a life of ultraviolence, much as Batman did with Robin.

Batman and Robin never killed anyone. Big Daddy and Hit Girl do, with machinelike efficiency. The Batman of later years used to brood about the dangerous life he'd brought a child into. Big Daddy doesn't brood, and Hit Girl loves the lifestyle. Chloë Grace Moretz makes Hit Girl an average little girl who adores her daddy and thus adores making him happy by becoming a wind-up toy that spits bullets and knives. Nicolas Cage makes Big Daddy sort of sweetly geeky out of

costume, intensely proud of his little girl. What's missing is a revelation in the comic — a typical cynical Millar touch — that turns Big Daddy into a delusional sociopath. Here, he's for real — a sociopath with a mission, one could say.

Vaughn and Goldman also make Kick-Ass (real name: Dave Lizewski) more heroic than he was in Millar's hands. In the comic, Dave becomes Kick-Ass mainly out of boredom. In the movie, he's incensed because people stand by and do nothing while others are victimized. The murder of Kitty Genovese haunts the film the way it haunted Rorschach in *Watchmen*. Vaughn keeps working up to hyperbolic action sequences, mostly involving Big Daddy and/or Hit Girl; Kick-Ass and another teen wannabe superhero, Red Mist (Christopher Mintz-Plasse), may read a lot of comics but don't really know what they're doing. Hit Girl is there to show the fanboys how it's done and also to reflect their own juvenile fantasies rudely back at them.

Kick-Ass may strike some as muddled, because it doesn't come down on one side or another. Costumed vigilantism is painful, bloody stuff; it's also cool as hell. Vaughn acknowledges the light-as-air rush of an action scene that laughs at gravity. Controversy has enveloped the film because Hit Girl, an eleven-year-old, curses and makes many bad guys go *splat*. That's the film's *reductio ad absurdum,* but it's nothing new — Japan's anime and manga have given us ass-kicking pre-pubescent girls for years, and sometimes creepily sexualized, too. We're just beginning to catch up. *Kick-Ass* speaks volumes about where our entertainment is heading. We can either take noisy offense or go along for the grisly and giddy ride.

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diamond in his cornfield, people think he's crazy. Then the ghosts of Shoeless Joe Jackson and other Black Sox start arriving. This is a story about love and the power of dreams. We will discuss this book on Thursday, **April 29,** at 6:30 pm. Books and audiobooks are available at the desk, or bring your own copy.

Mattapoisett Free Public Library

• **Put a Poem in Your Pocket** – You are invited to hear some extraordinary Massachusetts poets share their funny, moving and accessible poems of life and love on Saturday, **April 24**, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library.

Tuck one of your favorite poems, even one of your own, into your pocket and sign up to read it during the second half of the program.

Poet Wendy Drexler, who recently retired from a career as an editor, will read from her chapbook, *Drive-Ins, Gas Stations, the Bright Motels*, about growing up in Denver and her parents' divorce, and poems on classic American themes such as diners, bowling leagues, cruise ships, and such icons as Janis Joplin and Amelia Earhart.

Ailsa Steinert, who lives in Manchester and teaches English, philosophy and writing at the Pingree School in South Hamilton, will read from her chapbook manuscript, *Before Paris Fell*, written as a tribute to her husband who now has Alzheimer's disease.

Connemara Wadsworth lives in Newton where she is a tutor for elementary students with a variety of needs. She will read from her manuscript, *The Possibility of Scorpions*, about the years her family lived in Baghdad, Iraq in the 1950s.

Mattapoisett's own Margot Wizansky will read from her recently completed manuscript of oral history and poems *Don't Look Them In The Eye: Love, Life, and Jim Crow*, the story of Emerson Stamps, a grandson of slaves,

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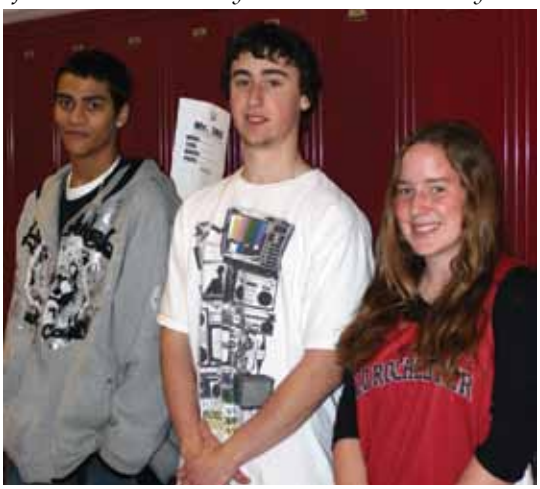
Right & below: *The ORR Health and Wellness Committee 2010 gathers to present a check to Bill and Caroline Gracia in honor of their late son Josh on April 15, 2010. The $300 check was the result of funds raised from a recent Health and Wellness Fair held on March 31. Photo by Anne O'Brien-Kakley.*

Above*: Mike Lamoureux of the American Legions Florence Eastman Post 280 and long-time member of the Mattapoisett Lions Club receives a check from Mattapoisett Lions Club President Helene Rose to sponsor four students to attend Boys and Girls State Convention. Photo courtesy of Helene Rose.*

Above*: Rochester School Committee incumbent Sharon Hartley (left) will remain on the Committee despite a good effort by challenger Matthew Beaulieu at the Rochester Town Election on April 14, 2010. Likewise, incumbent Bradford Morse (right) will remain on the Board of Selectmen. Photo by Anne O'Brien-Kakley.*

Right*: Three lucky ORR high school seniors have won a 2010 AFS raffle for prom services ranging from a free limousine rental to tuxedo rental and flowers. From left to right: Jerelle Fowler, Brian Teefy and Kendra Lawrence. The raffle raised money for the AFS (American Field Service) International club at the high school. Photo by Anne O'Brien-Kakley.*



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son of sharecroppers, told to her in his words.

Books by the authors will be available for purchase at a discount at the reading. Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library.

• **Play Ball** – The Mattapoisett Library now offers discount passes to Pawtucket Red Sox games! With a SAILS library card, a patron may check out a pass that allows up to 6 people to attend a game for the flat rate of $18. That's a big savings at one of New England's prettiest and most accessible ballparks. This is a wonderful and inexpensive way to enjoy America's favorite past time as a family. Visit the library's website www.mattapoisettlibrary.org to reserve the discount pass for your next outing. View our many other passes also!

• **Red Sox Program at the Library** – Speaking of baseball, how 'bout those Red Sox? Hear it from ax expert! On Saturday, **May 1**, at 1:00 pm, Dick Johnson will speak about the history of the Boston Red Sox. Johnson is Curator of the Boston Sports Museum and author of *A Century of Boston Sports*, *New England Patriots: Yesterday and Today* and *Boston Braves*. He has also co-authored 18 other titles including the bestselling "Red Sox Century." Join us for a great session about our favorite New England Team! A free raffle for Red Sox memorabilia will be held. Don't forget to wear your team colors!

• **Second Cup of Coffee Job Club** – Join others interested in reentering the job market and/or changing careers. Are you unemployed and looking for assistance with your job search? If so, you are welcome to attend these weekly get togethers to network, share information, and get tips. On **April 28** Tim Nelson, Director of the One-Stop Career Center in Wareham will present information about the services provided from the state's Career Centers, and will also review the practical use of LinkedIn and other business/social networks. Improve your job

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Tri-Town Police Logs

MARION

Log highlights April 11-April 17

•Wareham Rd – Motor vehicle stop
•Stoney Run Ln – Vandalism/past
•Front St – Brush/grass fire
•Point Rd – Noise complaint
•Old Indian Trl – Larceny/past
•Ichabod Ln – Suspicious motor vehicle
•Bayview Rd – Disturbance
•Mill St – General service
•Gifford's Corner Rd – Fire alarm
•Point Rd – Animal complaint
•Spinnaker Ln – Emergency services
•Front St – MVA/property
•Mill St – Disturbance
•Partridge Pl – Medical emergency
•Point Rd – Burglar alarm
•Blueberry Way – Medical emergency
•Front St – Property found
•Washburn Park Rd – Animal compliant
•Mill St – MVA/property
•Benson Brook Rd – General service
•Spring St – Officer wanted
•Hermitage Rd – Vehicle stop/arrest
•Pinewood Rd – Animal complaint
•Holly Pond Rd – Fire alarm
•Front St – Fire alarm
•Front St - DMV
•Wareham Rd – Suspicious person
•Mill St – Medical emergency
•Tucker Ln - Disturbance
•Pleasant St – General service

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights April 11-April 17

•North St – MV violations
•Church St – Harassing/annoying calls
•County Rd – 209A service
•Mendell Rd – Officer wanted
•Baptist St – Safety/road hazard
•Alderberry Ln – Alarm, burglar
•Maplewood St – Disturbance
•Seabreeze Ln – Ambulance requests
•North St – Alarm, burglar
•Shady Oak Dr – General service
•Fairhaven Rd – Animal control
•Brandt Island Rd – Health/welfare
•Church St – 209A order •Main St – Suspicious persons
•Grand Ave – Alarm, fire
•Wildwood Terr – Vandalism
•Acushnet Rd – Ambulance request
•Wildwood Terr – Disturbance
•Grand Ave – medical assist
•Beacon St – Health/welfare
•Reservation Rd – Mutual aid/police
•Henshaw Rd – Suspicious persons
•Stoney Hill Rd – Officer wanted
•North St – Larceny/forgery/fraud
•Pine Ridge Dr. – Ambulance request
•West Hill Rd – Ambulance request
•Hiawatha way – Fire, other
•County Rd – Disabled MV
•Capeway Lounge – Ambulance request
•Crook's Way – Alarm, burglar

ROCHESTER

Log highlights April 11-April 17

•Benjamin Dr – Motor vehicle accident
•Hartley Rd – Disabled motor vehicle
•Maxim Rd – General services
•Clapp Rd – Suspicious motor vehicle
•Rte 105 Marion – Fire, other
•High St – vandalism
•Snipatuit Rd – Motor vehicle accident
•Neck Rd – Motor vehicle stop
•Mary's Pond – Erratic operation
•Taber Ln – Alarm, burglar
•Pauline's way – General service
•Snipatuit Rd – Ambulance request
•Vaughn Hill Rd – Officer wanted
•Mattapoisett Rd – Disabled MV
•Bowens Ln – Ambulance request
•High St – Animal control
•Dexter Ln – General service
•North Ave – Motor vehicle stop
•Old Farm Ln – General services
•Neck Rd – Fire, other
•North Ave – Serve warrant
•Dexter Ln – Investigation
•Clapp Rd – Motor vehicle accident
•Springwood Dr – Alarm, burglar
•Braley Hill Rd – Parking violation
•Stevens Rd – Officer wanted
•Mattapoisett Rd – Erratic operation
•North Ave – Motor vehicle stop
•Snows Pond Rd – Suspicious mv
•Rounseville Rd – Motor vehicle stop

Local Lunch Menus

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday April 26: Creole pork chop, veggie baked beans, sliced carrots, whole wheat bread, orange
Tuesday April 27: Pineapple ginger chicken, Hawaiian rice, oriental blend veg, white bread, mandarin oranges
Wednesday April 28: Spinach/cheese omelet, hash browns, peas & carrots, whole wheat bread, birthday cake, diet: graham waffle
Thursday April 29: Turkey stew w/ mixed vegetables, boiled potatoes, multi grain roll, pudding, Diet: pudding
Friday April 30: Meatloaf w/ mushroom gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed veg, dinner roll, peaches

MATTAPOISETT ELEMENTARY - CENTER

Monday April 26: Chicken nuggets, fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk
Tuesday April 27: French toast sticks, lite sausage links, oval hash brown, spiced warm apples, choice of milk
Wednesday April 28: Spaghetti w/ wo meatballs, vegetable, roll, fruit, choice of milk
Thursday April 29: NEW: Chicken patty sliders, French fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk
Friday April 30: Sal's pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday April 26: Chicken nuggets, fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk
Tuesday April 27: French toast sticks, lite sausage links, oval hash brown, spiced warm apples, choice of milk
Wednesday April 28: Spaghetti w/ wo meat sauce, vegetable, roll, fruit, choice of milk
Thursday April 29: NEW: Chicken patty sliders, French fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk
Friday April 30: Sal's pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday April 26: Hamburger on a roll, fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk
Tuesday April 27: Maple flavored or Blueberry Waffle, blueberry or maple syrup, lite sausage, hash brown, warm spiced apples, choice of milk
Wednesday April 28: Spaghetti w/wo meat sauce, bread stick, fruit, choice of milk
Thursday April 29: Chicken patty, potato wedges, fruit, choice of milk
Friday April 30: Sal's pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL SCHOOL

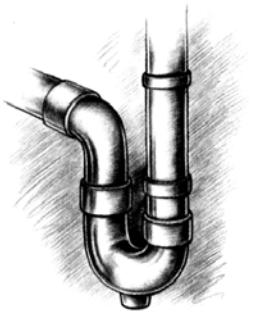
Monday April 26: Chicken nuggets, fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk
Tuesday April 27: French toast sticks, lite sausage links, oval hash brown, spiced warm apples, choice of milk
Wednesday April 28: Spaghetti w/ wo meat sauce, vegetable, roll, fruit, choice of milk
Thursday April 29: NEW: Chicken patty sliders, French fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk
Friday April 30: Sal's pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

SIPPICAN SCHOOL, MARION

Monday April 26: Chicken nuggets, fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk
Tuesday April 27: French toast sticks, lite sausage links, oval hash brown, spiced warm apples, choice of milk
Wednesday April 28: Spaghetti w/ wo meat sauce, vegetable, roll, fruit, choice of milk
Thursday April 29: NEW: Chicken patty sliders, French fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk
Friday April 30: Sal's pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday April 26: American chop suey, bread, green beans, mixed fruit
Tuesday April 27: Buffalo chicken wrap, fries, peas, peaches
Wednesday April 28: ½ day, no lunch
Thursday April 29: BBQ chicken, pasta salad, cranberry sauce, corn, apple slices.
Friday April 30: Pizza, salad, fruit



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search skills in this upbeat, discreet and supportive environment at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library on Wednesday mornings each week from 10 to 11:30 am in the downstairs Meeting Room. Topics for discussion will vary depending on the interest and needs of the group. No registration required.

• **Books on CD for MP3s** – New at the library: patrons can check out books on CD that are intended to be uploaded to MP3 players. A small collection is building, so stop by and find out more about this technology.

• **Be a Library Fan on Facebook** – Library patrons on facebook can now get daily announcements of programs and services on the Mattapoisett Free Public Library's facebook page! Become a Fan, support your library, view library photos, and log on to ask questions and post comments to the library staff. Ask your friends to become Fans! Accounts are free. Can't get here from there? Ask a librarian for assistance with your reading or information questions.

• **Books for Sale to Benefit the Friends** – Visit the Friends' Book Case upstairs at the library to browse bargain books for sale every day to benefit the Friends of Mattapoisett Library. From 25 cents to a couple of dollars for newer titles, you can find fiction and non-fiction for

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Re: Mattapoisett Neck Area Reduced Sewer Project

Dear Property Owner:

The Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners will be holding a public meeting to discuss the reduced Mattapoisett Neck Area Sewer Extension project. The meeting will be held at 6 PM on April 28, 2010 at the Center School. Briefly, the Board plans to request a construction appropriation to proceed with the project at this years May 2010 annual Town Meeting. However, the Board wants to be certain that area residents are familiar with the project, understand the impact of the project and support the project.

For your information, the Mattapoisett Neck Area Sewer Extension program is part of our Board's long range goal of providing municipal sewer service to areas of the community where on lot sewage disposal systems have a difficult time complying with State Title V septic system regulations because of small lots, poor soils and high groundwater.

More information can be viewed by visiting the web site **www.mattnecksewer.webs.com** that has been set up to help describe numerous sewer project related issues.

Project details and costs will be explained by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners and Tighe & Bond engineering at this informational meeting.

The Board encourages you to attend the meeting.

Thank you,

Board of Water and sewer Commissioners

Daniel W. Chase

Chairman Board of water and sewer commissioners

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ACROSS
1 Golf stroke
5 43,560 square feet
9 Live on lettuce
13 Word in a triangle
18 Lotion additive
19 Restaurateur Toots
20 "Teen —" ('60 smash)
22 Chou —
23 Minnesota city
25 Folklore figure
26 Japanese dog
27 Saint Catherine's home
28 Groucho's gaze
30 Shriver of tennis
32 "— Alibi" ('89 film)
33 The planes of Israel
35 James or Place
39 Connecticut city
42 Virginia city
46 Buffalo waterfront
47 Directional suffix
48 Owl's cry
49 — plexus
51 Tumbler
55 "Bonanza" setting
58 Farm vehicle
60 Actress Berry
61 "— Gay"
62 Bellini opera
63 Sausage
66 Golfer's gadget
67 Tropical tree
69 Mrs. Charlie Chaplin
71 Ewe said it!
72 Stink
73 New York city
75 Kentucky city
78 Dorothy's dog
79 — Aviv
80 Wingding
82 Condescend
83 Yalie
84 "— with Love" ('67 film)
86 Fernando or Lorenzo
88 Guitarist Eddy
91 "Hi, Ho!"
93 Guest
95 — license
96 "Olympia" artist
97 Actress Adoree
98 Oenophile's mecca
100 Lennon's lady
101 Biblical book
103 California city
107 New Jersey city
110 Or — (threat words)
111 Defeat by a knockout
112 Castilian cry
113 Catchall abbr.
115 Landed
118 Cunning
122 Man of rare gifts?
125 "Roots" writer
129 Wisconsin city
131 Photo finish
132 Dolphins' home
133 Fairy tale fiend
134 Marsh bird
135 Selling point
136 High time?
137 Playwright Coward
138 Org. founded in 1844

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8 — Stanley Gardner
9 Mr. Hammarskjold
10 Hotel
11 Self-esteem
12 Work for a while
13 Indeed
14 Calligraphy supply
15 Statesman Root
16 Procrastinator's word
17 Frank book
21 Head
24 Like Magic
29 CSA soldier
31 Damage
34 Sony competitor
36 Western Italian
37 Jogger's gait
38 Shining
40 It falls but never breaks
41 Composer Bartok
42 Small songbird
43 Entreaty
44 Lorre role
45 Grief
47 Vane letters
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52 Engine part
53 February forecast
54 Pursue
56 Battle site of 1836
57 Freshwater fish
59 Between three
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65 Behalf
68 About
70 Black piano key
72 Trickster
73 La —, CA
74 Popeye's favorite shade?
76 Helen Hunt Jackson novel
77 Hound's handle
78 Side
81 They're out of this world
84 Ryan's daughter
85 Salon solution
87 — League
89 Singer Simone
90 Word form for "environment"
92 Present
94 Harp —
95 Head line?
97 Beat
99 Where kids eat
102 Menlo Park monogram
104 It's in the bag
105 Pipe part
106 A place with buzz?
107 It may give you pause
108 Nom de crime?
109 Gnats and brats
114 First base man?
116 Spinks or Trotsky
117 Desdemona's enemy
119 Novelist O'Flaherty
120 Carmen or Clapton
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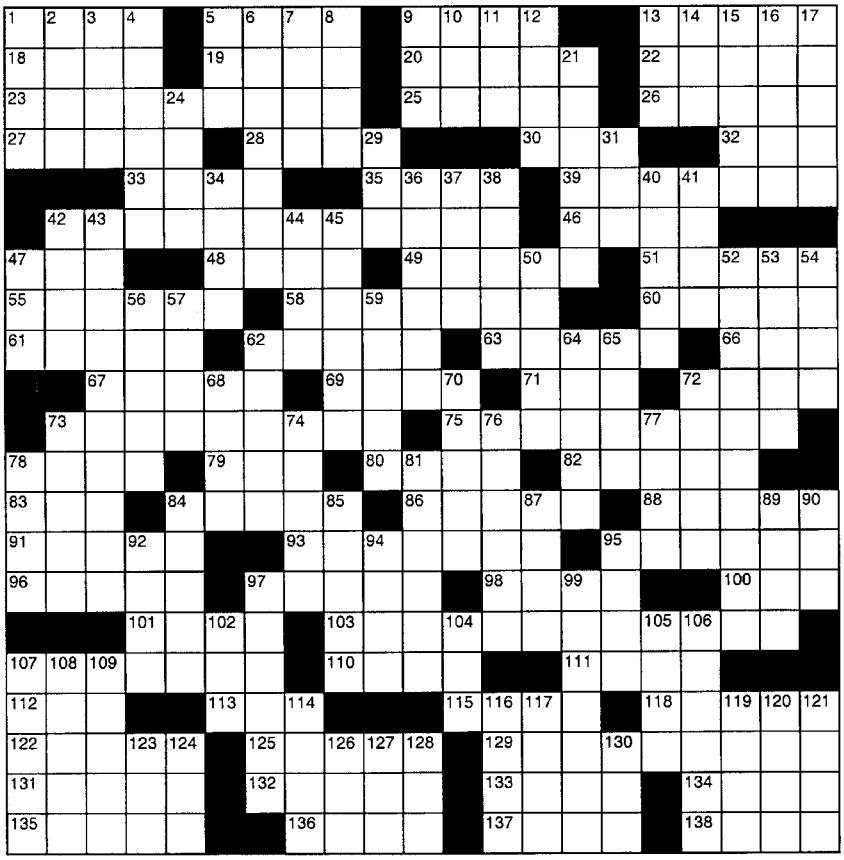

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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Don't be put off by a seemingly too-tangled situation. Sometimes a simple procedure will unsnarl all the knots and get you in the clear fast and easy, just the way the Lamb likes it.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time to go through your work space -- wherever it is -- and see what needs to be replaced and what can be tossed (or at least given away) without a second thought.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Someone who disagrees with your position might try to intimidate you. But continue to present a fair argument, regardless of how petty someone else might be while trying to make a point.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might find yourself exceptionally sensitive to family matters this week. An issue could come to light that you had overlooked. Ask other kinfolk to discuss it with you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You might have more questions about a project (or perhaps someone you're dealing with on some level) than you feel comfortable with. If so, see which can be answered, which cannot, and why.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to clean up and clear out what you don't need before your tidy self is overwhelmed by "stuff." Then go celebrate the Virgo victory over clutter with someone special.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might feel a mite confused about why something you were sure couldn't go wrong didn't go all right either. Be patient. Things soon move into balance, exactly as you like it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) At this decision point, you could be moving from side to side, just to say you're in motion. Or you could be considering making a move straight up. What you choose is up to you.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Although your finances should be in an improved situation at this time, thrift is still the savvy Sagittarian's smart move. Advice from a spouse or partner could be worth heeding.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Taking on a new challenge brings out the Goat's skills in maneuvering over and around difficult spots. Best of all, the Goat does it one careful step after another. (Got the idea, Kid?)

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your well-known patience might be wearing thin because of a disturbing (and seemingly unending) problem with someone close to you. This could be a time to ask for help. Good luck.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Be careful about a new venture that lures you into a "just-look-and-see" mode. Be sure that what you're being given to see isn't hiding what you should be seeing instead.

BORN THIS WEEK: Aries and Taurus give you the gift of leadership and the blessings of care and concern for all creatures.

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• **Spring Storytime** – Spring Storytime for children ages 3 to 5 and runs through **May 17**. Children are invited to enjoy stories, fingerplays and crafts Monday mornings at 10:30 am.

• **Spring Lapsit** – For children birth to 23 months and their caregivers, there is Spring Lapsit, a program that runs until **May 18**. Each Tuesday morning program begins at 10:30 am and includes a 20-minute storytime following by 20 minutes of socializing. One child per lap, please!

Pre-registration is required for these programs – please sign up by calling or stopping by the library or e-mail Rosemary Grey at rgrey@sailsinc.org.

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The Elizabeth Taber Library is located at 8 Spring Street in Marion. The phone number is 508-748-1252. More program information can be found on the library's website at www.sailsinc.org/Marion.

Sippican Choral Society

The Sippican Choral Society will present its annual Spring Concert on Friday, **April 30** and Saturday, **May 1**. Under the direction of Brian Roderick and accompanied by pianist Michelle Gordon and organist Dwight Thomas, four guest soloists and over eighty voices will perform Shubert's Mass in B Flat Major.

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
AQUACULTURE PERMITTING GRANT
In accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 130, Section 57, a Public Hearing will be held by the Board of Selectmen on Monday, April 26, 2010 at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria of Center School, 17 Barstow St., Mattapoisett, MA to consider the following shellfish aquaculture license application by Chapman Dickerson, 6 River Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The application is to farm two native shellfish species, the Eastern Oyster and the Eastern Hard Clam or Quahog.
Equipment to consist of floating bags and cages. The proposed grant is located approximately two acres in Brandt Island Cove having the following coordinates:
The approximate coordinates are:
NW corner 41.630951. -70.818048
NE corner 41.63119. -70.817367
SW corner 41.629925. -70.81734
SE corner 41.630067. -70.8165
Those interested in making comment written or oral can do so at this public hearing.
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Board of Selectment 04/08, 04/15, 04/22

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MARION
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
AQUACULTURE LICENSE APPLICATION
The Marion Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 27, 2010 at 7:05 PM to consider the Commercial Shellfish Aquaculture License Application of Catherine Ann Brodeur for a three-year license to propagate the American Oyster, Bay Scallop, Quahog and Blue Mussel in areas off Ram Island and Planting Island bar, Marion. The sites will consist of approximately one-half acre for the first year and will be accessed entirely by water craft. Projected plans call for the site to expand by another one-half acre in year two. Plans for the project will be available for inspection at the Board of Selectmen's office, Two Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738, during normal business hours.
Stephen M. Cushing, Chairman 04/15, 04/22

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MARION
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Pursuant to Chapter 76, Section 12B of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Marion School Committee regarding the Internet Safety Policy for the 2010-2011 school year at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19, 2010, in the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, Massachusetts
School Committee 04/22

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF ROCHESTER
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Pursuant to Chapter 76, Section 12B of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Rochester School Committee regarding the Internet Safety Policy for the 2010-2011 school year at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 5, 2010, at the Rochester Town Hall, 2 Constitution Way, Rochester, Massachusetts
School Committee 04/22

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LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 26, 2010 at 7:10 PM in the Town House conference room, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for Determination of Applicability #41D-1417 submitted by GEORGE F. ESTUDANTE to construct a 10' x 16' wooden storage shed and a 25' x 30' steel garage at 19 Giffords Corner Road, further identified as Lot 4A on Marion Assessors' Map 15. Plans are available at the Town House for review.
Norman A. Hills, Chairman 04/22

LEGAL NOTICE
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School Committee 04/22

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT, MARION, ROCHESTER
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Pursuant to Chapter 76, Section 12B of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Old Rochester Regional School Committee regarding the Internet Safety Policy for the 2010-2011 school year at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12, 2010, at the Tri-Town Superintendent's Office, 135 Marion Road, Mattapoisett, Massachusetts
School Committee 04/22

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School Committee 04/22

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School Committee 04/22

SPORTS QUIZ

By Chris Richcreek

1. Name the three National League shortstops who have had at least 81 extra-base hits in a season.
2. Which school was the last No. 1 seed to win baseball's College World Series before Texas in 2009?
3. Who holds the Cincinnati Bengals' record for most receptions in a season?
4. When was the last time Penn State's men's basketball team reached the NCAA Tournament?
5. How many teams has Pat Quinn led in his 20-year NHL head-coaching career?
6. In what year was the last time Penn State's women's volleyball team lost a match?
7. Who was the last women's golfer before Ai Miyazato to win the first two events of the LPGA season?

Answers
1. Ernie Banks (1955, '57, '58), Jimmy Rollins (2007) and Hanley Ramirez (2007).
2. The University of Miami, Fla., in 1999.
3. T.J. Houshmandzadeh had 112 receptions in 2007.
4. It was in 2001.
5. Five teams: Philadelphia, Los Angeles, Vancouver, Toronto and Edmonton.
6. Stanford, in 2007.
7. Marilynn Smith, in 1966.

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Mattapoisett Tax Collector News

Mattapoisett Fourth Quarter Taxes Due – The fourth quarter of the 2010 Actual Tax Bills are due **May 3**. Taxpayers who did not retain their fourth quarter payment coupon should contact the Collector's Office at 508-758-4100, ext. 1.

Taxpayers are encouraged to register for making on-line payments through the Town's website, www.mattapoisett.net, and click on "Pay Taxes Online". By registering with eBill, taxpayers can have their payments withdrawn from their checking or savings accounts through an ACH transaction or can make payments using VISA, MasterCard, American Express and Discover credit cards. Payments can be made using eBill until 11:59 pm on the due date of May 3. Other options for taxpayers are to mail their payments to P.O. Box 1596 or deposit payments in the mail slot located near the back corner of Town Hall.

Payments are due in the Collector's Office no later than 4:00 pm on **May 3**, therefore, taxpayers should allow sufficient time for mail travel when mailing payments. If paying by personal online banking, taxpayers should allow sufficient time for the bank to generate a check and mail it to the Town; and they should make sure there is sufficient information on the check identifying which bill should be credited with the payment.

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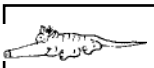

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Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

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Each time you find the Aardvark you will also be entered in our monthly drawing for other cool Aardvark Prizes.

If you would like to enter the monthly drawing by mail, send your name, address and phone number along with the issue date and page number you found him in to: Wanderer - I Found the Aardvark, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Entries by mail will not be eligible for Aardvark Points.

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on *"I Found the Aardvark"*

In the April 15 issue the Aardvark was on page 32!

to interest and a $15 demand fee, as voted at the Annual Town Meeting in May 2009. According to State statute, failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the taxpayer of the requirement to pay the tax bill and any resulting interest if the payment is late. Please call the Tax Collector's Office at 508-758-4100, ext. 1 for questions regarding payments. Money is spent in re-mailing bills returned from the Post Office for incorrect addresses.

According to State statute, failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the taxpayer of the requirement to pay the tax bill and any resulting interest if the payment is late. Interest accrues daily at a rate of 12% on excise tax bills not paid by the due date. A Demand Fee of $15, as authorized by a vote at the May 11, 2009 Annual Town Meeting, shall be added to bills not paid by the due date.

For questions regarding registration transfers or cancellations, taxpayers should contact the Assessors' Office at 508-758-4100, ext. 3. Taxpayers who have not received a bill should contact the Collector's Office at 508-758-4100, ext. 1. To avoid long lines at the Tax Collector's Office, taxpayers are encouraged to mail their payments to P.O. Box 1596, use the drop-off box or pay taxes online by registering at www.mcc.net.

Lions Club News

• **Think summer!** Harbor Days is just around the corner and will kick off on Sunday, **July 11** with the triathlon. Don't forget – the Lions will be selling strawberry shortcake at the band concert on Wednesday, followed by the chowder and crab roll supper on Friday evening with music provided by Couto and Mulligan. Saturday, the craft booths open, followed by a lobster dinner on Saturday evening and the famous pancake breakfast on Sunday morning. Tickets to our annual raffle should be available shortly, prizes include a 42" LED HD television, $1,000 cash, a set of Red Sox tickets and two sets of Patriots tickets.

• **Scholarship** – The Mattapoisett Lions Club is a member of Lions International, which consists of 45,000 clubs and more than 1.3 million members, making this the world's largest service club organization. The Mattapoisett Lions Club has announced a new $2,500 scholarship to be awarded annually to a graduating high school student who is a resident of Mattapoisett, Marion or Rochester.

The funds for this Scholarship are raised through charitable events run by the Mattapoisett Lions Club through out the year, including Harbor Days, an annual festival held in Shipyard Park every July and attended

by up to 10,000 people. The Lion's Club motto is "We Serve," and one of the largest charitable causes of Lion's International includes raising funds for eye research in an effort to end preventable blindness throughout the world.

To qualify, a student must be enrolled in the first year of a recognized school of higher education, must be a resident of the Tri-Town area, and have demonstrated service to the community. Special consideration will be given to those looking to a career in an eyesight-related field. Lions also encourage participating in the Lion's Youth Speech Contest, sponsored every year by the Mattapoisett Lion's Club and open to all high school

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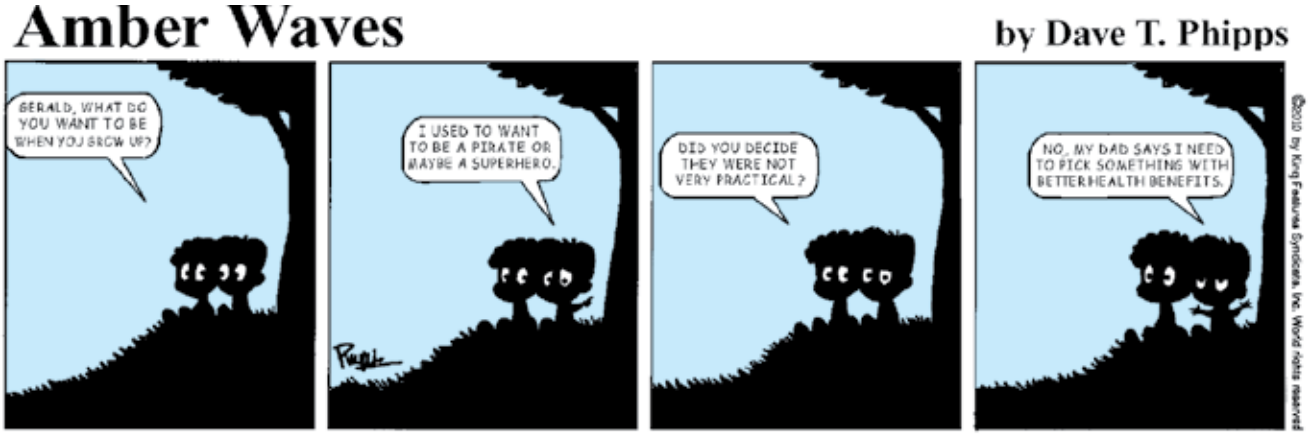

students in the Tri Town area.

To obtain an application or learn more about this Scholarship go to www.MattapoisettLionsClub.org/scholarship, or speak to the guidance department at your High School.

• **Senior Turkey Dinner** – Seniors, mark your calendars – the Senior Turkey Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, **April 24** at noon at the Reynard Hall in the Congregational Church.

To find out more about the Mattapoisett Lions Club, visit www.mattapoisettlionsclub.org or pick up one of our brochures at the Mattapoisett Laundromat, Mayhew Dry Cleaners, the town hall or the library.

Old Colony NHS Induction

The National Honor Society (NHS) at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School announces its annual Induction Ceremony will be conducted on Wednesday evening, **May 5**. The ceremony will include dinner prepared by the school's Culinary Arts department.

The ceremony will begin at 6:00 pm with a reception followed by dinner at 6:30 pm. The candlelight induction will immediately follow dinner.

Graduate members are invited to attend and are encouraged to contact NHS Advisor, Christine Watling, at 508-763-8011 ext. 120.

Mattapoisett Woman's Club Scholarships

Mattapoisett Woman's Club is again pleased to offer two $1,000.00 scholarship awards to Mattapoisett residents who are high school seniors graduating June 2010. The third award is a $500.00 scholarship for a returning student, who is re entering the academic world after graduating prior to 2010, in the pursuit of a post secondary degree program.

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club is a Philanthropic organization that plans and executes fund raising events to help generate the revenue for these scholarships and other charitable donations. In offering these scholarships, the club supports educational leadership and helps to give back to the community that has partnered with the club in its fundraising efforts.

To apply and obtain the scholarship applications, contact the Guidance offices at the local high schools or preparatory schools. Both applications will be available. You must be a Mattapoisett resident, and those who are a member of, or have a family member, belonging to the Mattapoisett Woman's Club, will also be considered.

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Katelyn Alyssa Craig	April 24
Shane Ryan	April 24
Tyler Boardman	April 24
Phyllis Magee	April 25
Diane Brewster	April 26
Mario Rego	April 26
Jerry Johnson	April 27
Linda Rosa Denise	April 27
Vera Gibbons	April 27
Walter D. Costa	April 27
Emily Hiller	April 28

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by Linda Thistle

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If you have any further questions you may contact the Mattapoisett Woman's Club at P.O.Box 1444, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

Marion Natural History Museum News

• **April 28** – Tour of Bird Island - Let's see the island before the terns do. Space is limited, so this program will close at 15 children or 12 people total. Bring your own life jacket. No life jacket, no ride. Sorry! This program will last an hour longer than normal, 3:30 to 5:30 pm. Pick up will be at the Harbormaster's office.

• **May 12** – Lifestyles of the local fish with Vinnie Malkoski of the Massachusetts Department of Marine Fisheries. Let's see whose swimming in our local waters.

Cost is $4.00 for members and $6.00 for nonmembers. Registration form is available on the museum's website: www.marionmuseum.org. To register please go to the museum's website: www.marionmuseum.org and fill out registration and submit with payment.

• **Summer Jobs at the Museum** – The Marion Natural History Museum is looking for one or two summer program instructors and at least one assistant for their "Life Along the Shore" (Grades 1-2) and "Coastal Explorations" (Grades 3-4) programs.

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The scholarship is made available through the Edith Glick Shoolman fund, a bequest left to provide support for children in the community. The scholarship is consistent with the MLT mission of preserving land in order to enrich the quality of life for present and future generations of Mattapoisett residents and visitors and of furthering environmental education in the community.

Along with the application, the following additional information is required:

• A Personal Statement about career goals as they relate to the mission of the MLT, past and present.

• A signed Community Service Form documenting a minimum of 20 hours of community service.

• Professional letter of reference (teacher or guidance counselor)

• A Character letter of reference (such as employer, Scout leader, community leader and/or neighbor).

• Official school transcript including credits and class rank.

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For more information contact the MLT at: Mattapoisett Land Trust, ATTN:Education Committee, P.O. Box 31, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 or by e-mail at: info@mattlandtrust.org.

Attention Rochester Dog Owners

The 2010 dog license period has begun. This is a reminder that it is time to come in and license your dog at the office of the Town Clerk. The fee is $7.00 for a neutered or spayed dog, or $10.00 for an un-neutered or un-spayed dog. Failure to license your dog by **July 1** shall result in a $25.00 fine per dog. Owners may also be subject to legal action.

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Wareham Garden Club Plant Sale

The Wareham Garden Club will hold its annual Spring Plant and Bake Sale on Saturday, **May 8**, at the Fellowship Hall of the First Congregational Church on Gibbs Avenue from 9:00 am until noon. This year the club will offer many flowering plants, memorial arrangements, and delicious baked goods that will make unique gifts for Mother's Day, May 9. Sale items will also include perennials grown by club members, hand-packaged seeds, and a healthy assortment of annuals, herbs, vegetables and more. Free soil testing will also be available.

The Spring Plant and Bake Sale is a major fund-raiser for the non-profit club, which provides many services to the community each year, including: holiday decorations, garden therapy projects in local rehabilitation centers, summer flower planters throughout the town, and a $1,000 scholarship to a local student. The Wareham Garden Club is a member of The Garden Club Federation

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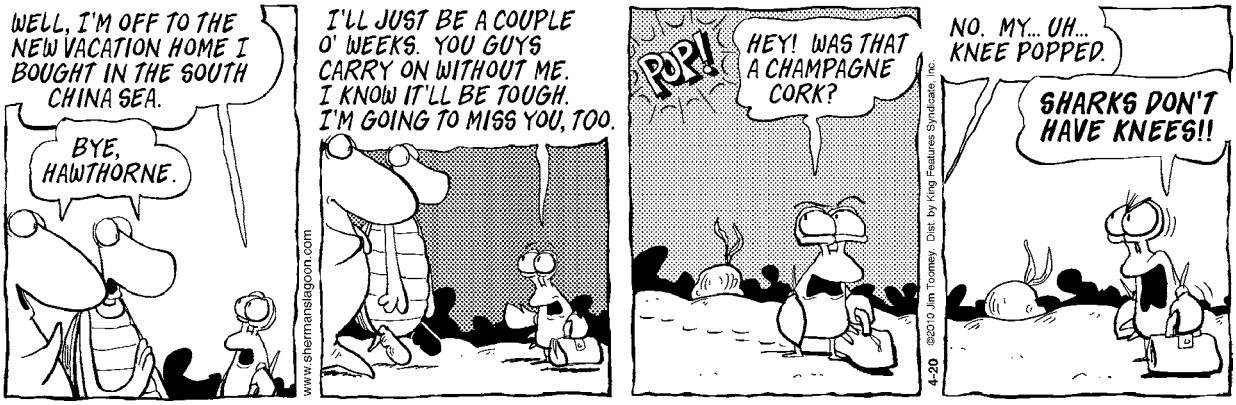

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Wareham Land Trust and Water Quality

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A stream with few or no fish at all is an unhealthy environment, a degraded ecosystem--the unintended consequence of dams and land use over many, many years. The good news is streams can be restored and made healthy again. Water quality can improve and brook trout can rebound!

Join the Wareham Land Trust in the Wareham Middle School Auditorium on **May 8** from 9:00 am until noon for an in depth examination of small streams and rivers and their critical role in the overall ecological health of our planet. Learn what you can do—think globally but act locally—to preserve and restore our steams.

Noted environmentalists will preside: Wareham educator Mack Phinney will describe the dynamics of local streams and hydrology of our watershed. Steven Hurley, a fisheries biologist with the state's Division of Fish and Wildlife will introduce the Eastern Brook Trout and its coldwater fisheries habitat. Tim Purinton from the Massachusetts Division of Ecological Restoration will describe current river restoration efforts, and Warren Winders of Trout Unlimited will present "River Tops" a discussion of his organization's Red Brook restoration project with a focus on Coastal Brook Trout populations. Tim Watts, a local stream protection activist, will share his own experiences on the Weweantic River and describe how you can join the restoration effort. Brendan Annett of the Coalition for Buzzards Bay will present "Protecting Land and Water," a close look at the interdependence of land conservation and water resource protection efforts. In addition, national, regional and local environmental organizations will be on hand with displays and literature. Special activities are planned for children and refreshments will be provided.

For more information, contact Mack Phinney at 508-295-4225 or by email at mbp43mack@gmail.com.

Wareham Middle School is located at 4 Viking Drive, behind Town Hall on Marion Road/Route 6 in Wareham. The Lyman Reserve is located on Red Brook Road with parking access in Buzzards Bay.

Acushnet Grange Tree Day

Acushnet Grange #285 will be selling locally grown 14-inch Blue Spruce Trees in conjunction with Acushnet's 150th Anniversary. There will only be 150 trees available.

For a $5.00 donation you will receive your tree, a commemorative certificate of recognition, and instructions on planting and care of your tree.

In observance of Arbor Day and Earth Day, these trees will be available to be picked up at the Acushnet Grange Hall, 1121 Main Street on Saturday, **April 24** between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm. Since there is a limited supply, be sure to reserve your tree today!

Horizons for Homeless Children

Did you know that one in every 50 children in the United States will go to sleep without a home this year? Horizons for Homeless Children is looking for energetic and enthusiastic volunteers to play with children living in family homeless shelters in Barnstable, Bristol, and Plymouth Counties. If you have an extra two hours a week and a desire to make a difference in the lives of some wonderful children, then we have the volunteer opportunity for you! A six-month commitment is required. Attendance at one of our training sessions is mandatory.

Upcoming training: First week in June in the Brockton/Bridgewater area. Sign up today! Contact our office at 508-999-9454 or at adantowitz@horizonsforhomelesschildren.org for more information and an application, or fill one out online at www.horizonsforhomelesschildren.org.

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Date	Day	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
April 22:	Thurs.	2:40	3:20	9:08	9:04
April 23:	Fri.	3:45	4:23	10:13	10:29
April 24:	Sat.	4:51	5:24	11:01	11:32
April 25:	Sun.	5:52	6:21	11:43	. . .
April 26:	Mon.	6:48	7:13	12:26	12:25
April 27:	Tues.	7:38	8:02	1:16	1:06
April 28:	Wed.	8:26	8:49	2:04	1:48
April 29:	Thurs.	9:13	9:36	2:48	2:30
April 30:	Fri.	10:01	10:23	3:30	3:12
May 1:	Sat.	10:49	11:12	4:10	3:54
May 2:	Sun.	11:38	. . .	4:50	4:37
May 3:	Mon.	12:01	12:28	5:31	5:23
May 4:	Tues.	12:51	1:18	6:16	6:15
May 5:	Wed.	1:41	2:09	7:10	7:21
May 6:	Thurs.	2:32	3:02	8:16	8:54
May 7:	Fri.	3:25	3:55	9:19	10:12
May 8:	Sat.	4:20	4:47	10:08	11:04
May 9:	Sun.	5:13	5:35	10:51	11:47

Phases of the Moon		
	Full Moon	April 28th
	Last Quarter	May 6th
	New Moon	May 14th
	First Quarter	May 20th

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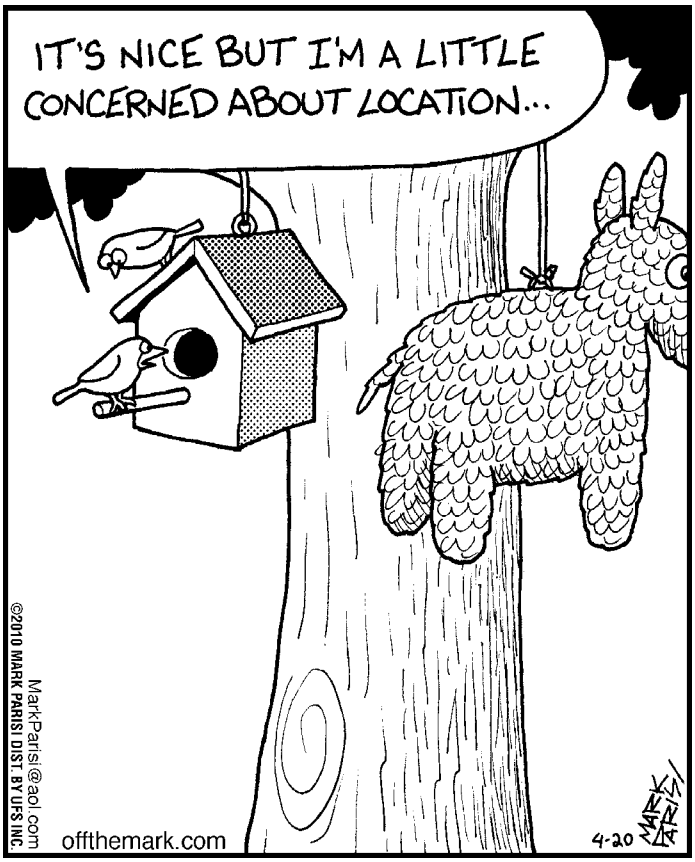

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